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OHIO STATE NEWS.

Items Gathered Especially For Buckeye Readers.

DEATH REVEALED THE SECRET.

Representative Brant, Who Died Last Week, Said to Be a Defaulter—His Shortage Will Amount to Thirty Thousand Dollars—Other State Events.

TIFFIN, O., Dec. 13.—During the past forty-eight hours ugly rumors have been in circulation here concerning the solvency of the late Representative Brant, who died last Sunday, and the safety of certain public funds intrusted to his keeping. However, it was announced yesterday upon good authority, that Mr. Brant died a bankrupt and a defaulter. He was treasurer of Venice township, and the shortage in the funds is placed at $8,000. His total liabilities are about $30,000, with assets of not more than $10,000.

Included in the assets is a farm of 300 acres in Venice township worth about $6,000, 800 acres of unimproved land in North Dakota, his residence in the village of Attica and a limited amount of hay, grain and other personal property. There are a number of preferred claims sufficient, it is thought, to almost wholly absorb the assets.

No man in Seneca county possessed the confidence of the public more than A. B. Brant, and the story of his shortcomings has come upon his legion of personal friends as a great surprise.

Legalized by the State.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 13.—Among the certificates of incorporation filed with the secretary of state yesterday was that of the Columbus Metaphysical college, by Minnie E. Jennings, Tennis W. Wade, John W. Spencer, B. F. Rowand and T. J. Spencer. Other incorporations were: The Wolf Creek Law and Order league, No. 7, Dayton; The Massillon Printing and Publishing company, Massillon, capital stock $15,000; The Journal Publishing company, Ashtabula, capital stock $2,000; The East End Young Women's Christian Temperance union, Cleveland; The National Co-operative Endowment association of America, Cleveland.

Death of a Prominent Lawyer.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 13.—Henry C. Noble, a well known lawyer of this city, and brother of Hon. John W. Noble, secretary of the interior, died suddenly yesterday evening of heart disease. He was taken sick yesterday morning, but his condition was not regarded as serious until shortly before his death. Mr. Noble was 67 years of age. He was a law student of Henry Stansbery, who was President Andrew Johnson's attorney general. Mr. Noble was a lawyer of marked ability and was one of the most prominent members of the Ohio bar.

Cost of Hugging Another Man's Wife.

FINDLAY, O., Dec. 13.—In Allen township, this county, the officers of the law have made it pretty hard on such men as indulge in "hugging" outside of their own families. Yesterday Justice Spitler, of that township, fined a man living in the village of Van Buren the sum of $6 for having hugged a neighbor's wife twice, or at the rate of $3 a hug. The justice announced that he would break up "this promiscuous embracing" if he had to send the offenders to jail.

Did Not Fear a Burglar.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 13.—Mrs. George Dewalt, wife of a white barber here, distinguished herself yesterday by grabbing a colored burglar, whom she found going out of her house. She made him give up a gold watch and other valuables. She screamed for help and held on to him. He escaped by getting out of his coat which she held onto. He was arrested later and found to be Charles Smothers, a professional thief, whose place was packed with booty.

A Dangerous Man Sent Up.

GEORGETOWN, O., Dec. 13.—George Kendle, well known in every part of this county, was tried last week for the murder of Thomas Butt at South Fincastle about two years ago, and after a brief deliberation the jury found him guilty of manslaughter. Kendle was yesterday sentenced to four years in the penitentiary by Judge London. He was always considered a dangerous man and his departure will be hailed with delight by the community at large.

Six Dwellings Burned.

BELLAIRE, O., Dec. 13.—A cooper shop in Benwood, just opposite this city, caught fire last night and the flames spread to six dwelling houses, completely destroying everything in their way. The town was at the mercy of the fire until hose companies from this city and Wheeling arrived. The loss will be very heavy and the fire at last report was still spreading.

Street Car Drivers Strike.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 13.—One-third of the street car force struck yesterday morning because the superintendent said they should wear caps. They claimed they were too light and unprotecting. Other drivers are enraged and say they will quit to-night. Superintendent Harris is determined, and says he will not revoke the order. There are thirty drivers.

A Colored Man Stabs His Mother.

CARBON HILL, O., Dec. 13.—Toner, a colored man of this place, filled up with bad whisky, went home and stabbed his aged mother in six places. She is suffering greatly from loss of blood, but is thought will recover. Toner was arrested and bound over to the grand jury in the sum of $300. He failed to give bond and was taken to jail at Logan.

[illegible] Sent Up for Life.

ALLIANCE, O., Dec. 13.—L. L. Arney, arrested for committing rape on a little 8-year-old girl, on the 16th of June last, at Alliance, was found guilty in the common pleas court at Canton yesterday and sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Suicided With Rat Poison.

ADA, O., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Flos McCoppin suicided last night with rat poison. She was the daughter of J. T. Cunningham, wealthy dry goods merchant, and recently had married E. M. McCoppin. Her mind was deranged by sickness.

Deprived of Expected Bliss.

IRONTON, O., Dec. 13.—W. M. McCort, of Fayetteville, Ark., advertised for a wife, and was answered by Laura Kimball, of this city. He came on yesterday, but was refused a license because she is under 16.

WHITE CAPS WORSTED.

One of the Outlaws Killed and Two Others Wounded.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., Dec. 13.—Thomas Burgess, a farmer, residing in Meade county, Ky., opposite New Amsterdam, Harrison county, Ind., had a thrilling adventure with White Caps at 1 o'clock on the morning of the 10th. Burgess moved into Kentucky from Harrison county, Ind., and by some means fell under the displeasure of the White Caps, though a thrifty, industrious farmer, and a man of excellent character. His farm was three miles from the Ohio river. The White Caps determined to visit and whip him, and drive him out of Kentucky. He got an inkling from a friend of their contemplated visit, and loaded his double-barreled shotgun heavily with buckshot, and also put fresh loads into a bulldog revolver.

The night riders arrived at his house at 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning, and, pounding at the door, demanded admission. Burgess ordered them to leave, but instead, they commenced battering down the door, and, this accomplished the crowd started to rush in. Burgess fired upon them, instantly killing one of the masked night riders, and badly wounding two others of the gang. The men fell back, and in the excitement that followed Burgess and his wife slipped out of a rear door, and ran through the woods to the Ohio river, jumped into a skiff and rowed over into Indiana, and are now at New Amsterdam. The man killed was named Adams, but Mr. Burgess did not learn who the wounded men are. As he acted in self-defense, Burgess does not fear the result of trial, and if called for, will surrender himself to the officers. His killing and wounding of his lawless assailants are justified by all his old Indiana neighbors.

GHOST DANCE KEPT UP.

The Sioux Indians Growing Bolder in Their Depredations.

NEW ROCKFORD, N. Dak., Dec. 13.—New Rockford people slept on their arms last night. A party of Sioux Indians camped near town and kept up the ghost dance all night. Their whoops could be plainly heard in the city. The Indians stole flour from the mill here until an armed guard was placed in the building. A few cattle were also killed. Settlers are coming in from all directions this morning.

Indians One Thousand Strong.

OKLAHOMA, I. T., Dec. 13.—A courier has just reached here and reported to Capt. Steele that 1,000 Indians of the Sac and Foxes, the Potowatomies, the Creeks and the Pawnees had camped near Choctaw City. The citizens of that village are flocking into this place. Capt. Steele has telegraphed to the war department for instructions.

Hostile Indians Escape.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A telegram from Gen. Brooke, received at the war department, states that a few hostile Indians have escaped from camp near Wounded Knee, on the edge of the Bad Lands, crossed the Cheyenne river line and are proceeding north. Troops have been ordered to intercept them and their recapture is hourly expected.

RIVER STEAMER SUNK.

The City of Baton Rouge Goes Down in the Lower Mississippi.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 13.—A telephone message to The Times-Democrat reports that the Anchor Line steamer City of Baton Rouge, from St. Louis, for New Orleans, with a full cargo of western produce, sank at 3 p. m. yesterday, near Hermitage landing. The boat and cargo are a total loss.

The accident occurrred while making a landing at Hermitage. A snag was struck, believed to be the same one that caused the loss of the Paris C. Brown in 1889. When the boat struck the hog chains seemed to give way, the hull began to sink rapidly, soon broke in two and disappeared. Two unknown deck passengers were drowned. It is possible that six or eight passengers taken on board on the way down were lost, but this is not authentic. The vessel was valued at $75,000; cargo $100,000.

Not Dead, but Sleeping.

DETROIT, Dec. 13.—John Prince was supposed to have died last Saturday while under the influence of chloroform. His family refuses to have him buried, asserting that he is still alive. This is the sixth day since death occurred and yet the face of the dead man has a comparatively fresh appearance. The eyes are not sunken and there is not the usual deathly pallor.

Boy Murderer Found Guilty.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 13.—Charles Miller, the boy murderer, has been found guilty, and will probably be hanged. He heard the verdict without a tremor, and, turning to a man near him, laughed as he said he anticipated the result. The crime for which he is convicted is the murder of Ross Fisenbaugh and Waldo Emerson last September.

Weather Indications.

Fair weather, winds shifting to southerly; slowly rising temperature.

LABOR CONVENTION.

Doings of the Day by the Federation at Detroit.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President Gompers Will Serve Another Year—Birmingham, Alabama, Secures the Next Place of Meeting—Congress Asked to Submit the Subject of Women Suffrage to a Vote of the People.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 13.—The convention of the Federation of Labor yesterday morning sent greetings to the Farmers' Alliance convention and to the International Labor congress at Brussels. The legislatures of Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama will be asked to forbid convict labor in mines.

Support was pledged to the painters who will strike for eight hours on May 1 next.

Congress will be petitioned to forbid United States enlisted musicians from competing for business with free musicians.

The convention decided that only bona fide members of trades can hereafter be delegates.

A move to make a new executive council of four, and leaving the officers except the president out of it, brought out a lot of talk. The old officers opposed the motion as liable to cripple the president. The amendment was lost.

The bonds of the secretary and treasurer were raised to $5,000.

A new section of the constitution, providing for a $5 a week strike benefit for five weeks, for such local unions as pay in a per capita tax of five cents a month, was then discussed until the time for adjournment until 2 o'clock.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the afternoon session of the Federation of Labor convention was called to order. The president announced that in accordance with the convention's action of Thursday a special order of business would be followed and the election of officers was proceeded with. It was decided to elect officers by polled ballots. Nominations were called for and the name of Samuel Gompers was immediately placed in nomination, three delegates presenting it simultaneously. P. J. McGuire was here called to the chair. The name of W. H. Kliver was presented, but immediately withdrawn by that gentleman. August Delebar placed in nomination J. J. Morgan, of Chicago, designating him as "our resolution."

There being no other nominations the election was proceeded with. Delegate Lilien divided his vote, casting 31 ballots for Gompers and 36 for Morgan. The count showed that sixteen delegates voting for Morgan had cast 194 votes, while Gompers had obtained 1,716. Candidate Morgan caused much amusement by casting his vote for "Morgan." After the result of the vote was announced Morgan moved that Gompers' election be made unanimous. This was done, and Morgan thanked the convention for the honor it had done him. The other officers elected were as follows: First vice president, P. J. McGuire; second vice president, W. A. Carney; treasurer, J. B. Lennon; secretary, Chris. Evans.

Miss Vanetten addressed the meeting, reading a paper on the condition of women workers under the present industrial system. Miss Vanetten is the founder and chairman of the executive committee of Working Womens' society of New York. She treated at length of the working hours of women in large factories and cities. She told of the condition of the women employed by the government contractors on clothing for the United States soldiers, sailors and postmen; deplored the manner of letting contracts and earnestly urged the idea of government workshops for clothing and other articles needed, to be conducted in a similar manner to the government printing offices. She also advocated the passage in the different states of laws limiting working hours of the female employes of mercantile establishments to sixty hours per week.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered Miss Vanetten, and it was resolved to have her paper published in pamphlet form under the auspices of the Federation.

The discussion on the place of holding the next meeting was then taken up and speakers were limited to one minute each. Birmingham, Ala., Cleveland, Denver, Columbus, O., and Indianapolis were presented. Denver was withdrawn and a poll vote resulted as follows: Birmingham, 1,266; Cleveland, 514; Indianapolis, 140; Columbus, 5. Birmingham was announced as the place of holding the next meeting.

The report of the treasurer for the past year showed total receipts, $24,714.64; total expenditures, $21,073.57; balance, $3,641.07.

The report of the committee on constitution was again taken up, and several matters pertaining to it referred to proper committees, or otherwise disposed. The report of the committee on resolutions was continued. The convention adjourned at 6:00 and will hold two sessions to-morrow.

President Gompers read a communication from the Detroit Equal Suffrage association expressing sympathy with the objects of the federation and approving its action in reference to the equal suffrage amendment now pending in congress. In accordance with the direction of the convention the officers have drawn up the following, which will be immediately forwarded to Washington:

To the House of Representatives and the Senate in Congress Assembled:

We, your petitioners, the American Federation of Labor now in session in the city of Detroit, state of Michigan, and representing [illegible] working men who are voters under the laws of the United States, respectfully request your honorable body to pass the resolutions already favorably reported by your proper committees, proposing an amendment to the National constitution securing to the women of the United States the exercise of the right of suffrage, that the question may go before the people of the United States to be rejected or ratified by them through the action of either the legislatures or conventions as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by congress.

The convention then at 6:30 adjourned for the day.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Dun & Company Reports the Financial Prospects Brighter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade says: The business outlook is more hopeful. There have been numerous failures, and is still much pressure, but the supply of money has so improved by treasury purchases of bonds, and by shipments of gold from Europe, that there is more ground for confidence and some actual improvement. Until after Jan. 1 not much relief can be expected, and fears of unwise legislation continue to cause much withdrawal of money from active use, but for the present there is less pressure here or at Boston.

The south reports fair business in spite of the continuing decline in cotton. Spirits move freely at Savannah, oranges at Jacksonville, and sugar, molasses and rice at New Orleans, all at good prices. The supply of money is ample for necessities at New Orleans, but at other points money is tight, though banks help their customers as far as they can in legitimate business only. At the west colder weather has helped trade at Cincinnati. Detroit and some other points, and business is only fair at Denver; good for the season with large cattle and hog receipts at Kansas City; strong, with liberal distribution of goods at St. Louis; fair for the season at St. Paul, and more active in holiday lines at Cincinnati. Chicago business continues much larger than last year, being little affected by eastern troubles, and the receipts of most products show increase. At Pittsburg the worst is thought to be over. Boston observes improved demand for leather at the lower prices, and retail dry goods active for seasonable products, but wool sales are small and wholesale trades generally quiet. Philadelphia notes little improvement.

Iron production increased in November, reaching 183,846 tons Dec. 1, a gain of nearly 6,000 for the month, and over 14,000 compared with last year. Several new and large furnaces have gone into blast, but later dispatches show that within two weeks a number have stopped production, and one southern establishment has failed. The woolen manufacturer is doing decidedly better than a year or six months ago, but heavy woolens open at last year's prices. There is a waiting market for knit goods and a shrinking demand for dress goods. The cotton manufacture is less satisfactory and some works are suspending production, print cloths having fallen to three cents for six-quarters.

The speculative markets have not been very active. Tin has risen half a cent during the week, but copper is of uncertain price, offers sixteen for lake being unavailing, and the market for lead is thoroughly demoralized by importations of 6,000 tons at the recent speculative prices.

Treasury payments for bonds do not yet appear in statements of cash, which show no loss for the week. The most significant fact is that a very large proportion of the money was taken in gold by the sellers of bonds, presumably for withdrawal until uncertainties about silver legislation have passed. But the fall in foreign exchange and the movement of over $5,000,000 gold to this side, show disposition of European investors to take some properties here at current prices. The commercial troubles outside of monetary stringency are mainly due to excessive purchases made in anticipation of a great rise in prices.

Business failures during the last seven days number for the United States 347, and for Canada 27, total 374, as compared with a total of 312 last week, and 249 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 290, representing 260 failures in the United States and 30 in the Dominion of Canada.

AN HONEST TRAMP.

He Takes a Pie, but Leaves a Pack of Cards as Security.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Thomas Jacobs went to a neighbor's yesterday, leaving some freshly baked pies on the kitchen table. On returning a few hours after she found one of them had disappeared, and on a greasy pack of playing cards was the following note:

MY DEAR LADY—I came here a stranger and found nobody at home. I was hungry and took a pie, and will pay you some day. Keep the cards till I return.

A TRAMP.

United States District Attorney Dead.

VAN WERT, O., Dec. 13.—United States District Attorney Isaac N. Alexander, of the northern district of Ohio, died at his home in this city yesterday afternoon. He had suffered for some time from a carbuncle on his right shoulder, which grew rapidly worse, resulting in blood poisoning and causing his death. Mr. Alexander had held his position about ten months and was 70 years of age. He was one of the most prominent lawyers in the state. He leaves one son and one daughter, his wife having died several years ago.

Sudden Death of a Supreme Judge.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 13.—Judge J. A. S. Mitchell, of the supreme court of Indiana, died suddenly at his home in Goshen yesterday morning of congestion of bowels. Judge Mitchell was the only Democratic member of the bench and was re-elected for the second term at the recent election. His age was about 50. He was one of the greatest jurists Indiana has produced, his opinions having been widely quoted in courts all over the United States.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Report of the United States Consul at Kingston.

OUR TRADE WITH JAMAICA.

It Shows a Marked Increase During the Past Year, but Might Be Vastly Improved if the Proper Steps Be Taken. Senate and House Proceedings—More Pension Legislation—Other National News.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The department of the state is just in receipt of a report of the United States consul at Kingston, Jamaica, on the trade relations between Jamaica and the United States, and suggesting various ways of improving the same. He says that the imports from the United Kingdom, Canada, France and Germany show the most marked increase, while the greatest decrease is shown in that from Hayti and of the United States.

As regards the exports from Jamaica there has been but little change in the total, having considerably increased to the United Kingdom, France and Germany and about held its own with the United States, while it has fallen off with Canada, Russia and several other countries. The tendency of Jamaica's trade with the United States seems to be to increase the exports to the United States and reduce the amount of the imports.

Importing, he says, annually $3,000,000 worth of goods, with a population of 800,000 people, situated at the very doors of the United States, a country without manufacturing industries, offers too rich a field for our trade to be carelessly treated. The larger part of this trade now goes to Canada and the United Kingdom and other European countries, and if the United States only took the same care to solicit this trade that it does that of the northwest there is no reason why they in time should not get it all.

If they would send good agents and salesmen, who would study the requirements of the trade, and make careful observations and then suit the manufactures to the wants of the people, which is much easier than trying to educate the people to take what the exporter may be pleased to send; for it is, he says, much less difficult to change patterns than it is to change the people's ideas and customs.

Manufacturers should handle the trade directly and not through commission men, but if necessary to do so they should select one whom they know is friendly to American interests.

The unequal, the consul says, tariff is another drawback, for while everything going from Jamaica to the United States is practically free of duty, on the other hand, everything the United States sends to Jamaica is subject to a heavy duty.

The consul is credibly informed that goods from the United States are sent to England and by jobbers there sold to merchants in Jamaica, and consequently the intermediate profit is lost to the dealers in the United States.

He calls special attention to a few articles in which the United States should increase its trade, viz: Ale and beer, arms, bacon and carriages, and in the article, while the United States should have all the trade the United Kingdom and Canada show a marked increase.

Clocks, watches, jewelry, drugs and medicines sell well. There seem to be no cotton manufactures from the United States sold here.

House furniture is very scarce and there is a demand for same, and with attention this trade could be secured for the United States.

Fish and fish products, glassware, groceries, confectionary, haberdashery, millinery, condensed milk, hardware and cutlery are all in demand.

His First Measure a Good One.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Representative Geary, the new member from California, who took his seat in the house this week, yesterday introduced a bill prescribing the manner in which an alien may become a citizen of the United States. The bill provides that applications for citizenship shall be advertised so that persons wishing to oppose the granting of naturalization papers to a person may be notified when to appear. It is also provided that applicants for naturalization shall pass a satisfactory examination on the history of the United States, the Federal constitution and the constitution of the state where the applicant resides.

Senate and House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The senate yesterday passed a resolution providing that, beginning Monday next the senate meet at 10 o'clock and that the morning hour conclude at 11 o'clock. Mr. Dolph's resolution requiring the committee on privileges and elections to inquire whether the right of suffrage is denied or abridged in any state was debated at length but went over without action. Mr. Blodgett and Mr. Walthall spoke in opposition to the election bill.

The house passed a number of private relief bills.

More Pension Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The house committee on invalid pension has authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced in the house by Mr. Belknap, amending the pension appropriation bill relative to the fees of agents. The bill provides that in cases of increase of pension on account of increase of the disability for which the pension has been allowed, the fee of the agent or attorney shall be limited to $2, payable upon the granting of the increase.

Wants It Announced to the World.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Ex-Senator Palmer, president of the world's fair commission, called on the president yesterday, and submitted to him papers showing that the world's fair had reached that point in organization that a proclamation requesting foreign countries to participate in it should be issued. The papers were referred by the president to Attorney General Miller to examine as to the efficiency of the financial guarantees, etc.

Ballot-Box Committee Heard From.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—An informal meeting of the special committee, that investigated the Ohio ballot-box forgeries last session, was held yesterday. It was intended to discuss the character of the report to be made, but this was not done, and the committee adjourned to meet next week with an understanding that it remain in continuous session until the report has been outlined.

ANOTHER CANADIAN EXECUTION.

Blanchard Hanged at Sherbrooke, Que., for Killing a Friend.

SHERBROOKE, Que., Dec. 13.—William Wallace Blanchard was hanged here Friday morning for the murder of Charles A. Calkins on Nov. 18, 1889. The drop fell at 9:06½ and at 9:30 the jail surgeon pronounced him dead. The executioner was Radcliff, who also hanged Birchall, and the whole proceeding was without an unpleasant incident. Blanchard had embraced religion and expressed himself as willing to die.

The feeling here is that the execution of Blanchard was inadvisable, as the crime was not premeditated. He and a companion named Calkins had been drinking and quarried about a boat. A scuffle followed, Blanchard drew a revolver and shot Calkins in the head, from the effects of which he died. Blanchard was found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged. All the jurors memorialized the department of justice for clemency, but not even an answer was received. Thursday the member of parliament from Sherbrooke, sent an urgent message and received in reply from the minister of justice the following: "No commutation probable."

Executioner Radcliffe will proceed from here to Welland to officiate at the hanging of Dey next Thursday.

FAST TIME.

The Vanderbilt Party Break the Record on the Michigan Central.

BUFFALO, Dec. 13.—The Vanderbilt party, who passed through here Thursday morning on the North Shore limited, en route for Chicago, broke the record for speed of all previous fast runs on the Michigan Central, in doing which there were some startling spurts on the Canada division. A special train was made up at Suspension Bridge, consisting of the private cars of Cornelius Vanderbilt, President Depew, Vice President Webb, President W. S. Webb, of the Wagner company, and President Ledyard, of the Michigan Central, and a baggage car. All the officials named were on board.

The special left Clifton, Ont., at 5 p. m. The ride to Detroit is 227 miles and this distance was covered in four hours and fifty six minutes. Deducting fifty-six minutes for stoppages the actual running time was four hours. At different times along the route the recorder registered a speed of from fifty-six to seventy-three miles an hour, and the average for the whole distance traveled was 57.21 miles per hour. The special reached Chicago ten minutes ahead of time.

BUILDING BLOWN DOWN.

One Girl Killed and Her Parents Badly Injured.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 13.—During the high winds yesterday morning a two-story and basement brick building, owned by Charles F. Butler, and which was being erected by Riley & Buchanan, contractors, for him on Fifth street and Sixth avenue, was blown down. Adjoining the building was a one-story brick structure, occupied by an Italian shoemaker named Nicholoni Delphino and his wife and two children.

This small building was crushed in, and the family were buried in the debris. Two officers and a large crowd went to work to rescue the unfortunate people. Delphino and his wife were soon dragged out, cut and bruised, and also one of the children. Rosina, a 13-year-old girl was killed, and her body was removed to the station house.

Firemen Badly Injured.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 13.—While racing with their apparatus last night, five members of the Sunset Hose company were badly injured. The hose cart upset, throwing them off, and the truck following ran over them. William Freeman, foreman, had both legs broken below the knee; J. E. Putnam, driver, right knee cap fractured and right foot smashed; Phillip Manger, injured internally; Bob Farley, head crushed, probably fatally; Edward Hanck, spine injured, supposed fatally.

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NEW YORK, [illegible] The large surf boat Vanderveer, of McWilliams Brothers' line, sunk yesterday at the Richards' dry dock at the foot of Washington street, Jersey City. Charles Farrell, the steward, and George [illegible], the fireman, are both missing, and it is supposed they went down with the boat.

Senator Wade Hampton's Successor.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 13.—John Laurens Manning Irby, the young reformer, was Thursday elected in the general assembly to succeed Gen. Wade Hampton as United States senator. The first three ballots stood, with slight changes, as follows: Hampton, 38; Donaldson, 50; Irby, 66. The fourth ballot resulted: Hampton, 36; Donaldson, 37; Irby, 82, Irby lacking only one vote of election. The Donaldson men then changed their votes to Irby, electing him by 105 votes; Donaldson, 10; Hampton, 42. Irby was greeted with loud cheers by the reformers and hisses by the straight-outs and crowds in the galleries.

Big Confectioners Burn Out.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 13.—The wholesale and retail confectionery establishment of Reymer Brothers, Nos. 508, 510 and 512 Wood street, was damaged by fire to the extent of $20,000 at 4 o'clock this morning. The fire was caused by an overheated flue in the packing department. Building and contents fully insured. This is the third time the firm of Reymer Brothers has sustained loss by fire, and on each occasion the fires occurred a few days previous to the winter holidays.

Scaffold Gives Way.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 13.—By the falling of a scaffold at New Duluth Thursday, four carpenters were precipitated a distance of thirty feet and all seriously injured. The injured are Ed Marsh, of Ontigo, Wis., Prosper Menville, a Canadian, leg broken; James Campbell, partly paralyzed but will recover; Thomas Mercie, of Cloquet, a married man, cannot recover.

Toothpick Factory Burned.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 13.—The Bradford toothpick factory, a three story wooden structure, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, $12,000; insurance, $5,500.

Kilrain and Godfrey to Fight.

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—George Godfrey and Jake Kilrain were matched here, Thursday afternoon, to fight to a finish for a purse of $1,500, of which the loser will take $500. The battle will take place at the rooms of the California athletic club, the first week in March.

Elevator Burned.

ELLIOT, N. Dak., Dec. 13.—During a terrific wind storm at noon yesterday a spark from a locomotive blew into the North Dakota elevator and the structure was burned down, together with 50,000 bushels of wheat.

Sneak-Thief's Haul of Diamonds.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 13.—The residence of J. H. Woodward was robbed of $3,000 worth of diamonds Wednesday night by a sneak-thief.

The Dudes.

Jack—I tell you what, Maud makes quite a figure in society.

Tom—Yes. When I see her at a party with her dude admirers she reminds me of a million.

Jack—? ? ?

Tom—She is one followed by half a dozen nothings.—Harper's Bazar.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

If Your House is on Fire

You put water on the burning timbers not on the smoke. And if you have catarrh you should attack the disease in the blood, not in your nose. Remove the impure cause, and the local effect subsides. To do this, take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, which radically and permanently cures catarrh. It also strengthens the nerves. Be sure and get only Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Nerve and Ingenuity Displayed by Two Unidentified Burglars at Denver. Charles Roben's Predicament—Episodes in the Careers of Some Famous Crooks.

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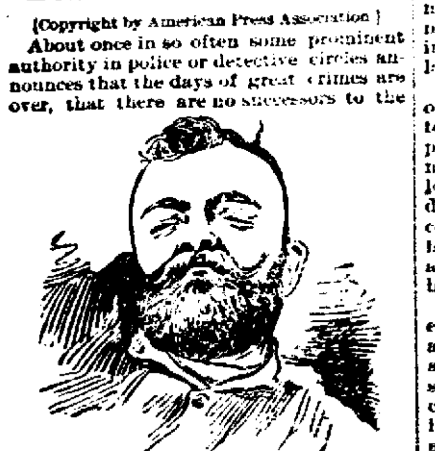
About once in so often some prominent authority in police or detective circles announces that the days of great crimes are over, that there are no successors to the famous rascals of a past generation and that the machinery of law and order has crushed the life and ambition out of the "crooked" element.

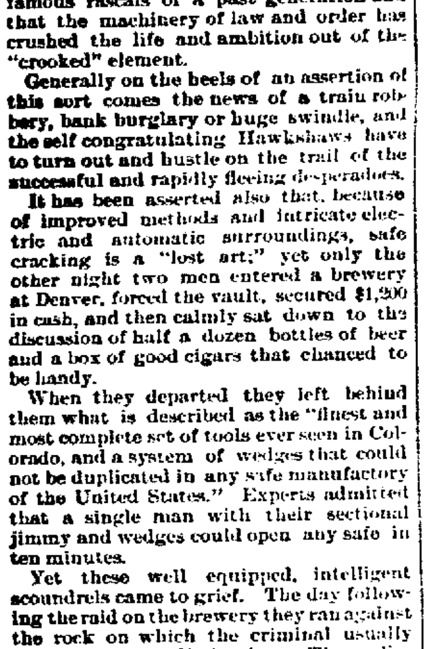

J. J. M'DERMITT.

Generally on the heels of an assertion of this sort comes the news of a train robbery, bank burglary or huge swindle, and the self congratulating Hawkshaws have to turn out and hustle on the trail of the successful and rapidly fleeing desperadoes.

It has been asserted also that, because of improved methods and intricate electric and automatic surroundings, safe cracking is a "lost art;" yet only the other night two men entered a brewery at Denver, forced the vault, secured $1,200 in cash, and then calmly sat down to the discussion of half a dozen bottles of beer and a box of good cigars that chanced to be handy.

When they departed they left behind them what is described as the "finest and most complete set of tools ever seen in Colorado, and a system of wedges that could not be duplicated in any safe manufactory of the United States." Experts admitted that a single man with their sectional jimmy and wedges could open any safe in ten minutes.

Yet these well equipped, intelligent scoundrels came to grief. The day following the raid on the brewery they ran against the rock on which the criminal usually goes to wreck—dissipation. The police nabbed them after a struggle in which one of the burglars got a pistol ball in the leg. The officers are sure they have the right parties, but they are puzzled because they can't get the men to talk. The one who was wounded calls himself J. J. McDermitt. He is a splendid specimen of physical manhood, and is evidently possessed of a good education.


F. WEST.

When photographed he assumed the attitude shown in the accompanying picture. His companion, known as F. West, is a thin faced fellow, cool, crafty and ingenious. He is supposed to have been the maker of the tools used at the brewery burglary, but that is a point yet to be established. Indeed, the two men seem to understand each other and the police methods thoroughly. They have been "communed with" in separate cells.

McDermitt has been told that West has "squealed," and vice versa, but all such fairy tales have been received with cheerful reticence and disbelief. Photographs of the prisoners have been sent all over the United States, but as yet no detective has been able to "place" them. The men are evidently what are termed "high class crooks." They have no confidants among the criminal classes. They "do jobs" on their own account, keep their mouths shut, and simply tell the authorities to "prove it." Under the circumstances it may be difficult to pin them down for the brewery burglary, which is the specific charge on which they are held.

However, when a man once gets to going behind the bars there seems little let up for him till he dies. That is probably what Charles Roben thinks. He has been known for years as an expert [illegible] and recently finished a seven years' term in the Ohio penitentiary.

CHARLES ROBEN.

He was free for about two [illegible] as he passed the prison gates two detectives took him into custody for a burglary committed in New York city years ago. He was then known as Mr. Del D'Anford, a retired merchant, and enjoyed a large acquaintance in the [illegible] in which he lived. His friends suffered severely from midnight depredations, and Mr. D'Anford also loudly deplored the spoliation of his house.

One night a young woman was awakened by the footsteps of [illegible] an [illegible] and [illegible] shooting her twice. [illegible] is recognized as the [illegible] and it is for this crime that D'Anford [illegible] Roben must now answer.

When Pete M[illegible] died and Doyle went to the penitentiary [illegible] agents thought [illegible] the last of the big counterfeiters. [illegible] for Miles Ogle [illegible] In custody at [illegible] of the government's case against him is yet to be made [illegible].

Ogle is a man of resources, who is bound, while out of jail, to [illegible]. Early in 18[illegible] he finished a term at the Chester (Ills.) penitentiary, and was turned loose practically penniless. He went to Cincinnati, and there met a [illegible] named Jake Falk. Jake [illegible] "cribs" industriously until the two had accumulated some capital.

With this they bought a [illegible] boat, a stock of provisions and some tools. Then Falk took things easy while Ogle turned out plates for the $5 silver certificate and a $10 national bank note. From these a large lot of counterfeits were printed, and after destroying the boat and its contents the confederates started to get rid of their handiwork. They were highly successful, and flooded the southwest with bogus bills.

Falk was captured and convicted. Ogle eluded pursuit until recently, when the authorities caught him on the Newport and Cincinnati bridge. He was amply supplied with good money, but had no counterfeits about his person. What criminating evidence the government has been able to obtain will of course be produced at the trial.

Another noted maker of bad money is Charles F. Ulrich, an expert engraver who formerly worked for the treasury department at Washington. The gang with which he was connected got into trouble, and Ulrich, to save himself, turned state's evidence. Then he went to Germany, where at last accounts he still lives.

Alonzo Fugate was an anomaly among counterfeiters. So far as can be learned he began his dishonest career when 60 years of age, and for a while was very successful. Then he got in the toils, and never escaped, for he died in prison. After his arrest he would make no statement, refused to testify, and even denied his identity.

ULRICH—GALE—FUGATE.

Thus in a sense it would appear that crime is not moribund. It has a constantly recruited band of devotees, and its [illegible] losing struggle against law and order will go on as long as the world lasts. It is a phase of the never ending battle between the principles of good and the [illegible] of evil.

F. N. WHITE.

HORSEWHIPPED A DOCTOR.

The Sensation to Which a New Jersey Village Has Been Treated.

Westfield, N. J., had its own little excitement the other day when Mrs. Eva Aguirre horsewhipped Dr. William Gale, her brother-in-law, in his own drug store. A keen edge and a rare fragrance (unless metaphor is allowable in such a thrilling affair) are given to the scandal by the facts that Dr. Gale is prominent and popular, while Mrs. Aguirre is beautiful and talented, an elocutionist and concert singer, and the daughter of a prominent Methodist clergyman, the late Dr. J. T. Wright, of Elizabeth, N. J. Such being so, why is this case thus?

Mrs. Aguirre's relatives answer in one word—morphine. Some years ago she married Dr Carlos Aguirre, a Cuban and a dentist, from whom she has been divorced. Her half sister is Dr. Gale's wife, and their mother lives with the doctor and wife. After some success in her profession Mrs. Aguirre began to suffer from nervous and neuralgic troubles; morphine was prescribed, and the cure became worse than the disease. She entered an establishment for the treatment of the habit, and was some time since discharged as "radically cured." She then asserted that she had deposited jewelry with Dr. Gale as security for a small loan, but he refused to return it when proffered payment. Hence these blows.

MRS. EVA AGUIRRE.

She punished the doctor pretty badly, as he was so taken by surprise that she got in at least a dozen severe blows before he could wrench the whip from her hands. In her subsequent account of it she talked with great clearness, saying that she had bought the whip for her child and had no idea of using it till the doctor insulted her by declaring that she was speaking falsely about the jewelry.

On the other side of the affair two theories are presented: One that she left no jewelry with the doctor, and the other that her mother and sister thought she ought not to have it returned to her yet and prevailed on the doctor to refuse her. She has, however, brought suit for the recovery of watch, rings and pins, valued at $400; and so Westfield will soon have the facts in the case—that is, if they can be got at, and "Jersey justice" has a way of getting at things.

A Pretty Girl's Predicament.

A Washington young woman had an experience [illegible] will hardly care to [illegible] she stepped [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

She was at [illegible] a crowd [illegible]

[illegible]

The [illegible] has been [illegible] a series of scientific experiments.

DIED A MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

A Strange Case Now Agitating the People of St. Louis.

Dr. Julius R. Stiepel was a German of St. Louis who lived a rather mysterious life and died a very mysterious death, the facts in connection therewith being sufficient to puzzle all the physicians and police of the city.

Late in the afternoon of Nov. 21 he drove to a [illegible] and declared that he had been shot while driving on Lafayette avenue near Jefferson. All he could tell was that he heard a shot, felt a stinging pain in the head, and then a warm flow of blood convinced him that he had been hit.

He was sent at once to the city hospital, where the curious fact was noted that the [illegible] already dry on his head. The personal [illegible] that he drove up as if from a direction [illegible] to that in which he said it was shot. The surgeons promptly declared the wound a trifling one, as the skull was not fractured, and the doctor was taken to his home.

His wife, herself a doctor in a limited line, expressed particular surprise at his accident. The two conversed a while in German, and he lay down in good condition. In a few days he grew much worse, and Dr. Bernays discovered another wound—the ball, a 32-caliber, had lodged in the muscles over the right ear, but there was no fracture. He recovered so rapidly that the physician paid little attention to his case, his last call being rather a social one. After a long talk with Dr. Stiepel the physician left him late in the evening. About 4 o'clock the next morning he was found dead.

DR. J. R. STIEPEL.

Then several more parties appeared on the scene; they were agents and physicians of eleven insurance companies. And immediately after came the officials of some lodges and mutual benefit associations, and within twenty-four hours it was made known that Dr. Stiepel was insured for at least $75,000, and that he had lately made great efforts to insure for much more. Here were the elements of a mystery indeed.

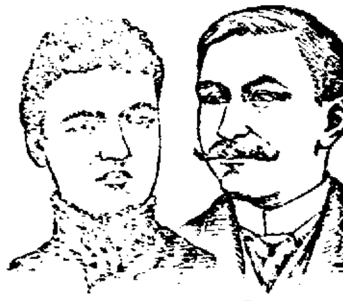
At the inquest the room resembled a medical college lecture hall, so many companies were represented by their doctors. The brain was found perfectly natural—not a trace of disease or mechanical injury—therefore, said one section of the medical men, it could not have been suicide from insanity. No, said the other, the insanity may have been functional. The stomach and lungs also were sound—above average in condition. But the kidneys—there was the trouble. Their condition was that of nephritis. They were thoroughly diseased. Was it natural, or the result of some corrosive poison? The former, said the physicians, was barely possible, the latter most [illegible].

[illegible] more insurance men appeared [illegible] doctor had for some time shown a most unnatural anxiety to insure, and [illegible] of the companies' physicians had rejected him on the ground that he was [illegible] insane. He had inquired anxiously whether the insurance would be paid in case he died by accident, and had [illegible] in one case that his life was threatened. So these physicians put forth the theory that Dr. Stiepel was "under the control" of some one who was inducing him to insure heavily, and that he then committed suicide. Perhaps the "control" knew that he was going to do so, and perhaps had the power to compel such action.

There the matter rests. The policies were made payable to his wife and child. He had but one. No particulars of his previous life can be discovered. He took no one into his confidence, and his wife was even more reticent. His body was cremated, as that was known to be his choice, and the insurance men now have the task of proving the cause and method of his death.

He Robbed His Bride.

One of the most puzzling facts in crime is that the average criminal can marry so easily and so often—and generally such good women. George Hardy is the last brilliant instance. He had a nice wife and a pleasant home at 2,010 Prairie avenue, Chicago, and last June he abandoned her, taking $1,100, all the available family cash. A few days [illegible] he married Laura Hall, of the same city, a very beautiful young woman, who had some $1,500 in cash, and went with her to New York city. Two days later she applied to the police, stating that on their arrival at the hotel he had departed ostensibly to look after their trunks, but when, alarmed at his long absence, she had gone to the Grand Central depot, she had found man and trunks gone.


LAURA HALL—GEORGE HARDY.

The broken hearted bride was furnished with a ticket to Chicago, where Mrs. Hardy No. 1 [illegible] her, and the police of various cities were put on the lookout for Mr. Hardy. Of course he is described as a [illegible] handsome fellow, about medium height and well built"—no, not "of course," either, for it is one of the strangest facts in this line of crime that the [illegible] from good looking [illegible] in such a case is one that [illegible] lovers would like to [illegible].

Probably a Meteoric Explosion.

[illegible] recently the people [illegible] and the surrounding [illegible] were awakened [illegible] which shook up [illegible]. As soon as [illegible] had [illegible]

[illegible] in the earth [illegible] to the earth and houses as to excite widespread terror.

GRIM SKELETONS.

Some Are Actual and Others Are Imaginary.

WARNING TO A DRUG CLERK.

The Skeleton in the Closet a Much More Formidable Party Than a Scientific Collection of Articulated Bones. New York and Chicago Mysteries.

The ancient Egyptians had a cheerful habit of introducing a skeleton at their feasts, that all might be reminded in the hour of rejoicing of the inevitable future which was to bring disease, death and the judgment of the gods.

THE DRUG STORE SKELETON.

A New York city druggist has recently set up a skeleton back of his prescription case which is as grim and hideous as any that ever grinned at an Egyptian banquet, and which has a mission to perform equally important with that of its old time predecessors.

Its duty is to remind a careless clerk that if he makes any more errors in compounding prescriptions he will send some invalid untimely to kingdom come and involve his employer in a "heap of trouble." It is a grim but constant warning against negligence.

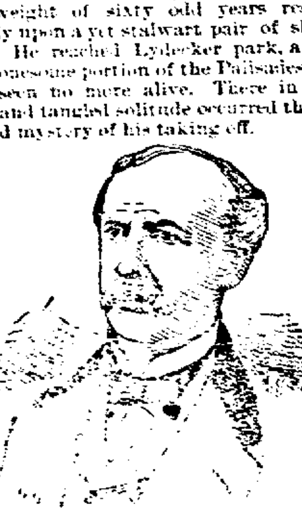
So they had and have their uses—these poor relics of forgotten humanity—these wired bones of slaves slain at Thebes or tramps carved up at Bellevue. But such as they are visible, tangible, practically harmless, though gruesome of aspect.

They are not nearly so appalling as those other skeletons that stalk abroad and take the air, and peer in the face, and stare over one's couch at the still hour of midnight with hollow, fleshless, gleaming eyes, stirring the brain to all sorts of wild imaginings. Among these latter is that time honored old party known as the skeleton in the closet. He, or one of his kind, has recently found domicile with a family at Inwood, N. Y. There, with relatives whose affection he deserved and received, lived Mr. John Townsend, a retired lawyer of fortune.

WHERE TOWNSEND FELL.

Mr. Townsend had traveled far, and viewed many strange sights in foreign lands, but his verdict, after much journeying, was that earth offered no more picturesque views than those to be obtained from the Palisades of the Hudson. To feast his eyes with the panorama of nature displayed from these historic heights it was the ex-lawyer's wont on nearly every fine day to journey southward to New York city, cross the river to the Jersey side by means of the Fort Lee ferry and pass the hours of sunshine wandering along the heights.

So far as can be ascertained this was the programme he carried out on the day of his death—a day when his body was found at the foot of a cliff with the skull smashed and a 38-caliber bullet in the brain. He left home cheerful, happy and vigorous, the weight of sixty odd years resting lightly upon a yet stalwart pair of shoulders. He reached Lydecker park, a wild and lonesome portion of the Palisades, and was seen no more alive. There in that lofty and tangled solitude occurred the unsolved mystery of his taking off.


BENJAMIN H. CAMPBELL.

At the inquest after the discovery of the corpse [illegible] Townsend [illegible] the ferry [illegible] to New York, [illegible]

[illegible] the Palisades [illegible]

[illegible] the ball entered [illegible] of the head, and the hair was not [illegible]. Many indications pointed to murder. But after hearing all the testimony, the coroner's jury decided that Mr. Townsend—who [illegible] a care, mental or physical, in the world and who did not carry a pistol—committed suicide. It is because of this verdict and the unexplainable surrounding circumstances of the affair that the Townsend's relatives are now entertaining the grim skeleton of doubt.

The skeleton of anxiety has a prominent place in the household of Benjamin H. Campbell, a prominent politician and millionaire of Chicago. One night recently Mr. Campbell, who is a shattered invalid 75 years of age, arose and left his home attired in trousers, dressing gown and slippers. He wandered about the streets a while and was seen by several people. Then he disappeared, leaving no clew behind.

It is said that a loss of $250,000 in an unfortunate business venture had worried him greatly. Yet this could by no means have crippled him financially, as his estate is valued at nearly five times that amount. A quarter of a century ago he was a great friend of Gen Grant, and was by him appointed United States marshal for the northern district of Illinois. His fortune came largely from judicious investments in street railways.

One theory regarding his disappearance is that he has committed suicide by throwing himself into Lake Michigan. The other, and the one held by the family, is that he is demented and is being cared for by strangers who cannot identify him.

The skeleton of suspicion will accompany William J. Baldwin, of Atchison, Kan., to the grave. Five years ago his sister was murdered and he was charged with the crime.

The evidence, it is said, was very weak, but the jury held it to be sufficient, and returned a verdict of guilty, which meant life imprisonment. Yet the man's wife and mother believed in him despite the verdict. They carried the case clear to the United States supreme court, but without avail. Then they began to work for a pardon, and the other day succeeded in getting one, Baldwin being released just in time to attend the funeral of his only child.

WILLIAM J. BALDWIN.

Opinion is divided as to the man's guilt or innocence, and will doubtless remain so. He at least has the satisfaction of knowing that those nearest and dearest to him believe that he never committed the crime, and perhaps some day the truth may come to light and give him ample vindication before his fellow men.

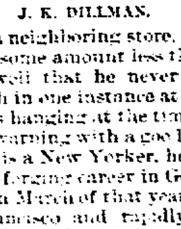
In any event, however, the skeleton actual or the skeleton sentimental is not a pleasant or agreeable chum. He is too silent, too forceful, and, even in his ideal shape, too matter of fact. In his ancient capacity as a monitor I doubt if he kept the courtiers of Pharaoh from swigging one cup the less, and, grown familiar to the clerkly gaze, the articulated bones back of the druggist's prescription counter may prove an incentive not to caution but to recklessness.

These other skeletons, though, these skeletons of the imagination, are more liable to put on flesh than they are to become indifferent or to disappear. Scandal, trouble, disgrace, sorrow—such things, unmerited though they be, abide with many until the welcome hour of release bids the tired victim shake off his mental incubus and join the gray old world's army of actual, unoffending but unhandsome skeletons.

TOO HANDY WITH A PEN.

The Career of an Expert Forger Finally Closed.

Julius K. Dillman is the last man to achieve a peculiar fame in the criminal line. His method was so very peculiar that one can only wonder how he escaped detection so long, yet there was a certain genius in it and a coolness worthy of a general.


J. K. DILLMAN.

His line was forgery and his method was to walk into a bank bareheaded and with pen behind his ear, as if he had just left his desk at a neighboring store, and present a check for some amount less than $100, and did it so well that he never failed, getting the cash in one instance at a desk where there was hanging at the time a police circular of warning with a good description of him. He is a New Yorker, he says, but he began his forging career in Georgia early in 1888.

In March of that year he appeared in San Francisco and rapidly cashed checks as follows: March 17, one for $60; 31st, one for $60; April 7, one for $40; April 9, one for $40; May 10, two for $50 each, and then in rapid succession five for $60 each, the last on June 5. In November he appeared again and cashed two checks for $55 each. He then married a beautiful and estimable young lady and disappeared for a time. Recently he "resumed business" in San Francisco and was caught. Then evidence came in rapidly showing that he had "worked" Dallas, Tex., Columbus, Ga., and other places for small amounts.

In his rooms were found blank checks on many banks and imitation signatures of many firms, with a great variety of pens and rubber stamps fixed to "O. K." the checks as occasion might demand. The young wife was heartbroken. She had believed her husband to be a commercial drummer, and was evidently in complete ignorance of his crimes. Dillman, finding that he had a long term in prison in sure prospect, made a full confession, declaring that he had no confederates.

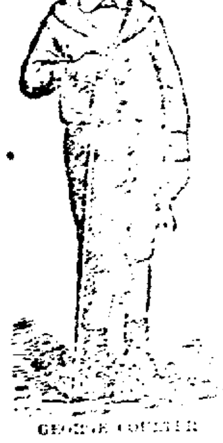
Fell from a Trestle.

The deadly railway trestle has "got in its work" again, or rather another man has found a fatal economy of time to attempt to cross one of these dangerous structures. The latest victim is Anson Al[illegible], a wealthy and prominent [illegible] of Crawfordsville, Ind. He had visited [illegible], and in going to the depot walked off a forty foot trestle and fell on the rocks below. Death was instantaneous.

A VERY LIVELY LAD.

He "Mashed" Fay Templeton and Tools With Dynamite.

George Coulter [illegible] Cal., has [illegible] an [illegible] incorrigible mischief. His first [illegible] to attract general attention [illegible] assault on the heart of Fay Templeton. His mother and he were boarding at the Baldwin hotel when the actress was in San Francisco. He saw her on the stage and was badly smitten. After some days of sighing he went to a popular florist and ordered a bouquet of $10 La France roses.


GEORGE COULTER.

"Send the bill to my mother," said he, with an air which satisfied the florist that his mother had ordered it. The boy, however, called for the bouquet and sent it to Miss Templeton with his card. She was impressed, and the donor was invited to her dressing room. Her astonishment may be imagined, but she consented to take a late and expensive supper with her youthful lover, whose "cruel parients" shipped him to the country soon after. Not, however, until he had progressed so far in his love making as to ask, "Are your stockings stuffed when you are on the stage?"

At his stepfather's (Henry Dexter's) ranche in Napa county his lacerated heart healed fast and he had lots of fun, but conceiving himself insulted by the foreman, one Joe, he thought the proper thing would be a dynamite explosion where that gentleman was at work. So he and his younger brother Jack got two cartridges where the men were blasting and planted them where they would do the most good, in the boys' minds, but the "touching off" was a trifle premature, and here is George's account of the results:

"Jack and I were only seven feet off when up went the milk house and Joe's house and the chicken house all to pieces, and we hadn't time to think when the second cartridge went off and tore up the whole bank. Then Jack—he's littler than me, 'cos he's younger—he went a flying down the hill, and I only saved my life by holding on to the branches when I went up into a tree in the chicken yard.

"You just ought to 'a' seen the fire! It went right up the hill through the orchard and vineyard and burned a lot of other people's wood, but they put it out at last. I just tell you what, you've got to know how to use this dynamite if you want to have any fun with it."

Both boys escaped serious injury, and now the people on the coast are wondering what their next exploit will be.

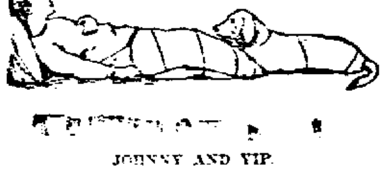
REMARKABLE BONE GRAFTING.

A Delicate Bit of Surgery Attempted at New York.

Johnny Gothins is a New York boy and Yip is a spaniel dog, and they have lately been very much "attached." In fact they have literally grown together, and, so far as a leg-piece goes, have become one bone and one flesh. All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Dr. A. M. Phelps, surgeon at the Blackwell's Island hospital and lecturer at various medical colleges, who maintained that a dog's leg bone might be grafted on to a boy's—the same being deficient—and made to serve the turn.

The operation was no doubt the most curious in the annals of surgery. The boy was born with a defective section in his lower left leg. It ceased to be nourished—in effect it died—and so the boy would have grown up to be a cripple for life. Above and below it the bone was sound and the flesh and blood connection sufficient to nourish it. The boy had undergone no less than six operations and borne them like a hero; the leg had been broken, splintered, scraped, "exsected" and reunited in various ways and still no union took place. Then Dr. Phelps determined to make the experiment of "bone grafting."

Yip, the spaniel, was selected because his foreleg bone was of the same size as Johnny's. Both were made insensible by anaesthetics, and the boy's leg and all the dog, except the leg, encased in plaster casts which made them perfectly immovable. Then, by a process too intricate and technical for popular description, a short section of Yip's leg was sawn out, great care being taken to prevent hemorrhage and leave sound dog above and below the exsection, this was inserted in the vacant section of the boy's leg, and properly joined at each end to his leg bone, and then dog and boy were firmly fastened. The theory was that the circulation of each would vivify the annexed bone till perfect union took place; then the dog could be amputated from the boy, and live out his dog days with one short leg.


JOHNNY AND YIP.

The doctors are of course mightily interested, and there are more prophecies than ten columns like this would hold. The strange feature is that both dog and boy have eaten and rested fairly well, though impatient and restless at times over the severe confinement. Critical surgeons do not doubt that the dog can be cut off and the boy survive, but whether the canine bone section will become [illegible] humanized, and so grow with Johnny's growth and strengthen with his strength, is quite another thing. If it does, this boy with a "dog bone" shin will be a perennial subject for the paragraphers.

Tragic Romance in a Hospital.

Romance and tragedy, sentiment and folly [illegible] history of Mrs. Martha [illegible] of New York city. On the [illegible] Martha [illegible] Charles [illegible] and was taken [illegible] where, to [illegible] there being [illegible] she was his wife. [illegible] years of [illegible] as an [illegible] of liberty [illegible] this beautiful [illegible] to be a suicide.

Will be Given Away.

[illegible] druggists, [illegible] & Co. and Hoberman & Co., who carry the finest stock of drugs, perfumeries, toilet articles, [illegible] giving away [illegible] number of trial bottles of Dr. Miles' [illegible] Restorative Nervine. They guarantee it to cure headache, dizziness, nervous prostration, sleeplessness, the ill effects of spirits, tobacco, coffee, etc. Druggists say it is the greatest seller they ever knew, and is universally satisfactory. They also guarantee Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure in all cases of nervous or organic heart disease, palpitation, pain in side, smothering, etc. Fine book on "Nervous and Heart Diseases" free.

Do Not Suffer Any Longer.

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SUSAN OWEN.

CLEVER WOMEN ARTISTS.

THEY LIVE IN NEW YORK AND HAVE BRAINS AS WELL AS BEAUTY.

Miss Kate Louise Childe's Interesting Story of the Way in Which Some of Them Have Conquered Success—An Artist Who Is Also an Author.

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MRS. RHODA HOLMES NICHOLLS.

Mrs. Rhoda Holmes Nicholls was born in Coventry, England. She early evinced a strong [illegible] for art, which was encouraged by her father, who was at that time vicar of [illegible].

Her first serious study commenced at the Bloomsbury School of Art, where she carried off the queen's scholarship for three years, [illegible] pension, further [illegible] by a contribution from the queen and the judges. Mrs. Nicholls availed herself of the pension but a short time, leaving England for Italy, where she studied under Camerano and Vertunni. Some water colors made at this time procured her election to the Circle Artistico, a select body of about fifty artists, prominent among whom have been Fortuny, Simonetti and Villegas. Soon after she was elected to the Society of Aquarellists, to whose annual exhibitions she still contributes.

Her Venetian palaces and moonlit lagoons first made her known to American

MISS MARIE GUISE.

art lovers. Very soon after her arrival in New York, in 1884, her canvases attracted attention. A gold medal was awarded her picture "Those Evening Bells" by the American Art association. This picture has been etched by Mr. James King, and is very popular. For the past two years Mrs. Nicholls has worked almost exclusively in water colors. Among her more important pictures "The Scarlet Letter" is a vigorous example of what may be done with that very attractive medium. A more ambitious work recently exhibited is entitled "The Survivors of the Schooner Viking," full of dramatic power and feeling.

Mrs. Nicholls is vice president of the New York Water Color society, and some of the best work seen at the recent exhibition is from her brush. Her studio on Twentieth street, New York, contains, besides studies and pictures in great variety, many properties such as artists are prone

MISS CLARA T. M'CHESNEY.

to collect—old carved chairs and a wonderful Venetian sail combined with fish nets from the Massachusetts coast in a profusion of [illegible].

Miss Marie Guise is an American girl in spite of her French name. She has a studio at the [illegible], but is more often to be found [illegible] at the Dallam and other stables. Horses and dogs are her delight, and she [illegible] as well as any [illegible].

Miss Guise studied for three years at [illegible] "[illegible] at Ecouen" and "[illegible] Time," [illegible] canvases exhibited at the Salon and at the Universel about this time [illegible] favorable notice.

Miss Guise admires Rosa Bonheur, and paints in very much the same strong, vigorous manner [illegible] that celebrated artist. Her canvases are generally large, and the subjects almost entirely animals. [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] how to depict. A very fine [illegible] was reproduced in The Art [illegible] some time ago, and [illegible] "Vic" a very [illegible] next year.

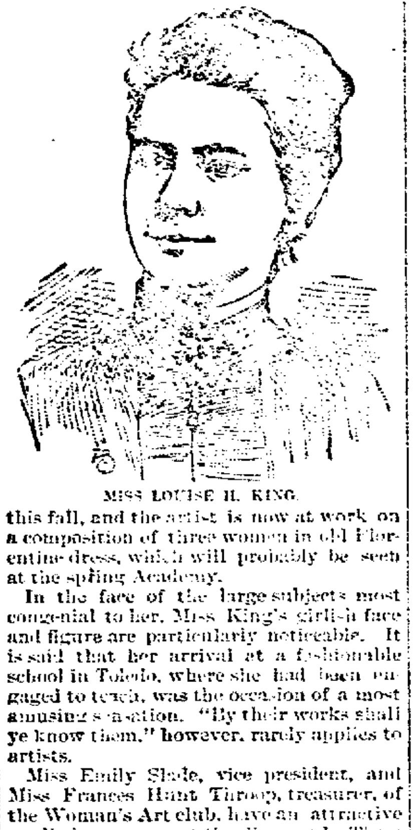
[illegible] Later [illegible] York [illegible] her pictures are growing rapidly in popu-lar favor. Miss McChesney [illegible] New York Water Color [illegible] had a [illegible] exhibition. [illegible] "Head of an Old Man" [illegible] more [illegible] than any other that her clever brush has produced. [illegible] of an Old Woman's Head," at Keppel's, is painted with a great deal of dash and freedom.

Miss Louise H. King is also a native of San Francisco, although her home since her childhood has been in New York. At the Art Students' league, which has sent out so many of our younger artists, Miss King was a favorite pupil of Kenyon Cox. Much of his strong draughtsmanship and simplicity of design are visible in her work. After leaving the league Miss King devoted some time to study in the Berlin Gallery and in the London National, where she seems to have absorbed considerable of the Pre-Raphaelite, Burne-Jones's spirit.

Miss King's specialty is high art decoration, stained glass and cartoons. She has recently finished two windows for Tiffany, and aspires to cathedral wall decoration. This is a branch of art comparatively little crowded, and to which Miss King's genius seems admirably adapted. She delights in æsthetic pinks, yellows and heliotropes, and her combinations of greens and blues are often rather daring and original.

"The Lotus Eaters" was exhibited at the Exposition Universel, Paris, 1889, and was much admired for its dreamy beauty and poetic fire, suggesting the conceptions of Botticelli and Fra Angelico.

A little blue and green water color "Lisa" was well hung at the American



MISS LOUISE H. KING.

this fall, and the artist is now at work on a composition of three women in old Florentine dress, which will probably be seen at the spring Academy.

In the face of the large subjects most congenial to her, Miss King's girlish face and figure are particularly noticeable. It is said that her arrival at a fashionable school in Toledo, where she had been engaged to teach, was the occasion of a most amusing sensation. "By their works shall ye know them," however, rarely applies to artists.

Miss Emily Slade, vice president, and Miss Frances Hunt Throop, treasurer, of the Woman's Art club, have an attractive studio in common at the Sherwood. These two clever young women, while they have studied together at the Art Students' league under Carroll Beckwith and in France under Alfred Stevens, have managed to preserve each her individual style.

"The Reveille" exhibited at the Salon is in Miss Throop's best style. It was seen also at the Academy in 1889 and much admired. The picture at present on the easel is a very ambitious subject, "The Child-

MISS FRANCES HUNT THROOP.

hood of the Virgin." Miss Throop writes and illustrates charming little stories for children's magazines. Readers of St. Nicholas will remember "The Story of Turk," a noble St. Bernard dog, and will be interested to know that the story is quite true, and that Turk's skin ornaments Miss Throop's studio to this day.

Miss Slade paints children and flowers, a very agreeable combination. There is much of Beckwith's brilliance and a great deal of her own breadth of handling in her work. Her flesh tints especially are fine, her drawing unusually good, and her subjects interesting. She has painted some portraits, "The Concierge" being exhibited at the Salon of 1888. Last summer Miss Slade studied under Damoulin, the leader of the new art movement in France, and this year's work shows traces of his advanced theories. Her latest picture, "A Flower Show," is a beautiful study of children, grouped admiringly around a

MISS EMILY SLADE.

table [illegible] very effective. KATE LOUISE CHILDE.

CONTESTING BOYD'S SEAT.

The Farmers' Alliance Man Claims to Be Elected Governor of Nebraska.

Experienced political prophets predict that John H. Powers, the Farmers' Alliance candidate, will be the next governor of Nebraska, although the Democratic nominee has a plurality of 1,144 on the face of the returns. The state had always been overwhelmingly Republican, but at the recent election the Democrats cast 71,331 votes for governor, the Farmers' Alliance 70,187, and the Republicans 68,878.

The Alliance has taken steps to make a legal contest for the governorship. There are many specifications in its formal notice, but the chief charges are intimidation at certain polling places in Omaha, the failure of several small cities to comply with the registry law and the payment by the Personal Rights League of the fees for naturalizing 2,880 foreign born voters

JOHN H. POWERS.

in Omaha, such payment being held to be of the nature of bribery. If the votes of the precincts in question be thrown out it will give Mr. Powers a clear plurality of the votes. The contest will be decided by the legislature and the Alliance has a majority in both houses.

Mr. Powers was born in Madison county, Ills., in 1831. Both parents were from New England. Three years later they took a squatter's claim in La Salle county, Ills., and bought it when put on the market. For a number of years, beginning at the age of 20, Mr. Powers alternated teaching district school in winter with farming in summer. In August, 1862, he enlisted as a private in the One Hundred and Fourth regiment Illinois infantry, and was honorably discharged because of sickness. In 1873 he took up homestead and tree claims in Hall county, Neb. In 1888 he sold out and took up a farm in the extreme southwestern part of the state, where he now resides. Mr. Powers is president of the State Farmers' Alliance, which fact undoubtedly won him his nomination. He has been supervisor in Illinois and in Nebraska. These are the only political offices he has held, but he is a representative farmer of rugged honesty and good hard sense.

DISAGREEMENT AT CONCORD.

New Hampshire Politicians Engaged in Perplexing Arguments.

There is a lively struggle in progress at the capital of New Hampshire, and the storm center for some days has been around Dr. Gallinger, ex-congressman and now candidate for the United States senate, to succeed Senator Blair. Mr. Blair of course desires to succeed himself. The great struggle has been over the control of the legislature, and it involves so many issues that only an expert on the ground can understand their merits.

DR. GALLINGER.

These are as to whether men who served as census enumerators are "federal office holders," and therefore disqualified as members; whether men who moved out of their districts are still qualified if they declare their intention to move back; whether the towns are entitled to representation according to this year's census, and, most of all, whether the deputy clerk of the last legislature shall make up the roll of the next, the chief clerk having moved to another state and resigned. On the determination of these it depends whether Democrats or Republicans shall control.

Dr. Gallinger and his supporters are earnestly opposed to the policy recommended by Senator Chandler, and refuse to join in all the measures proposed by their fellow Republicans, and this adds another element of uncertainty. The governor convened the legislature (which has a legal existence till the constitutional date for the one chosen in November to meet), and the first struggle was on the right of that legislature to adopt unusual measures to prevent trouble when the next one meets, the Gallinger party of Republicans being classed as the "moderates."

Every Family Has an Isaac.

"Mrs. Partington's" anxieties and perturbations have served to amuse millions, for the American press gave wide circulation to her "felicitous infelicities of speech." They long divided honor and applause with the airy paragraphs and sharp wit of George D. Prentice. "Ike," the irrepressible and very human boy, was a lively presence in thousands of households at a time when John Godfrey Saxe, Mortimer M. Thompson ("Doesticks") and Capt. George Horatio Derby were convulsing a continent with their quips and quirks, odd whims or whimsical oddities.

The century renowned dramatic prototype of this species of misunderstood and misunderstanding feminine was assuredly not the model chosen by our home bred humorist. Richard Brinsley Sheridan's Mrs. Malaprop was an egotistic, gaudily dressed, well bestowed, imperious and effusively aristocratic ignoramus, who had a good heart and a weak head. Name and idea may both have been borrowed by Humorist Shillaber, but his creation of "Mrs. Partington" is none the less unique or distinctive. "Ike" is a literary creation far beyond all other prankish boys that grin from the pages of modern books. He is natural in his mischief, and acts like an impulsive youngster always does when he has too much play time and too many tempting opportunities. Every family that boasts of its half dozen active, healthy boys has one or two Isaacs in the house, and they are too wide awake to nod in broad daylight.

The Charm of Gen. Booth's Book.

One charm of Gen. Booth's recently published book, "In Darkest England," is the [illegible] which he treats of all other [illegible] of reform—Christian socialism, [illegible] nationalism and the like. He has a [illegible] word for all of them and one criticism—they look to a distant future. He [illegible] confesses that the earnest work that [illegible] wants to help those who are in misery now, no matter whether it is their [illegible]. And, neither [illegible] preceding [illegible] class, he firmly declares that [illegible] misery is largely [illegible] the [illegible]. Hence—and [illegible] book—we [illegible] and spirit [illegible]. All schemes working [illegible] nature will fail as all such have failed.

CENTENARY OF A FLOWER

FASHION HAS KNOWN THE CHRYSANTHEMUM TEN DECADES.

Once It Was Called the "Tradesman's Flower," but Now It Is the Pet of Society—Dazzling Displays of Recent Date in New York and London.

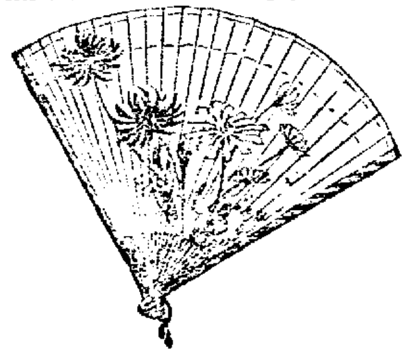
The visitor to the Madison Square Garden during the recent New York flower show had an ocular proof before him that there are fashions in flowers. If that immense grouping of plants, flowers and ferns had been called a chrysanthemum exhibition instead of a "flower show" the

CHRYSANTHEMUMS AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN.

term would have been better applied, for the lovely stranger from Japan was queen of the garden. Wherever she was—in groups, in beds, in varieties or in single one flowered plants—she wielded her scepter with an equally firm grasp. Beside her the eccentric orchid twisted from apparent nothingness without attracting much attention, although the year is not far gone when the orchid had no rival in the hearts of the fashionable people.

Yes, there are fashions in flowers, as there are in colors, as there are in robes and jewels. There are seasons of which the rose, the lily, even the violet (although the latter seems an inherent contradiction) is the comet. Today the chrysanthemum rises highest in the sky of popular favor, and few there are who will question her right to reign, while there are many who predict her sovereignty will be lasting.

The chrysanthemum was first brought into Europe in the year of the French Revolution by a merchant of Marseilles named Blancard. In the autumn of the following year (1790) some plants having a small flower of a dull purple color were sent to Kew gardens, London, and a magnificent chrysanthemum show in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the "golden flower" given by the National Chrysanthemum society, of which Lord Brooke is president, was recently held at the Royal Aquarium, Westminster. There were only twelve varieties known in England up to the year 1820, and in 1847 the first Chrysanthemum society was formed. Yet it was not until years afterward that the flower was taken up by the aristocratic classes, and one of the most enthusiastic members of the Stoke-Newington Chrysanthemum society does not hesitate to chronicle the fact that for many years it was

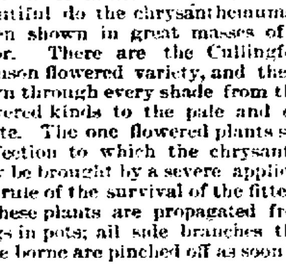


THE CHRYSANTHEMUM IN DECORATION.

contemptuously designated "a mere tradesman's flower." Yet the case of the chrysanthemum is not the first where Dame Fashion has by wayward fancy taken to her bosom the flower dear to the hearts of the people.

To such proportion and in almost infinite variety have the chrysanthemums been cultivated that there is no space even to mention their names. Wherever they are shown, in all the shop windows, in all the boxes of private houses and in the grander flower shows, their colors and shapes appear with so many differences that it is almost incredible that they belong to one family. White flowered, violet rose, yellow, golden bronze, pink purple and brunette—in every color they traverse the flowery gamut. Beautiful indeed are the beds of mixed varieties, but far more beautiful do the chrysanthemums appear when shown in great masses of a single color. There are the Cullingfordii, a crimson flowered variety, and these wind down through every shade from the gayly flowered kinds to the pale and colorless white. The one flowered plants show the perfection to which the chrysanthemum may be brought by a severe application of the rule of the survival of the fittest.

These plants are propagated from cuttings in pots; all side branches they may have borne are pinched off as soon as they appear; all root sprouts are removed as soon as discovered; only the main stem is left to develop into great size and luxuriance, with the forces of all combined into itself. It is so, by this concentration of the whole strength of the plant, that we have the magnificent large blossoms of the



BEFORE HER THE CROWD BOWED DOWN.

single plants. Those [illegible] are called the standards are produced [illegible] the same way. They are older, [illegible] ten months to a year, and are grown [illegible] by the same process [illegible] single plants until [illegible] stems from two to four feet high [illegible] the end is pinched off and a [illegible] head of many [illegible].

It is known that [illegible] of the seventeenth century [illegible] themum, under the name of "[illegible]," was extensively cultivated in Japan, and [illegible] of the finest varieties [illegible] in America were imported direct from there. We are told that what we see is as moonlight to sunlight compared with the marvelous chrysanthemums of the Flowery Land, but we can take these travelers' stories with a grain of salt. It may be true that in point of size the home-bred chrysanthemum outgrows its imported sister, but, on the other hand, American florists are adding scores of new varieties year after year to the list of cultivated sorts. [illegible] which must be taken [illegible] to uphold the [illegible] is that the climate of America is [illegible] favorable to the production of [illegible] long [illegible] Japanese [illegible] portion [illegible].

In Corea the chrysanthemum [illegible] have grown for ages, as not only [illegible] a general type of [illegible], but seems to have a place in the [illegible] history of the country. One of the national honors is the "Order of the Chrysanthemum." In Corea [illegible] chrysanthemum culture has been brought to great perfection, the annual [illegible] festival is one of the greatest national holidays. I have called the chrysanthemum the queen of the flower shows recently in progress throughout the country, in other cities as well as New York, but the term needs specification, for mixed and crimson and [illegible] pay homage to a queen among [illegible]. She who has been elevated to the chrysanthemum throne is the [illegible] white flower grown on a single stem and [illegible] in its breadth, but gentle and flexible as spun glass.

Before her the crowd bow down, and, in truth, since the season is not June, she has no rivals she need fear. How long she will wield the scepter, who can tell? There are fashions in flowers, to return to my statement in the opening paragraph, and if a more beautiful member of her own family do not depose her some new flower will. Who has not heard of the craze for black tulips, which almost bankrupted Holland, and which did ruin many amateurs? The chrysanthemum craze is as widespread as that, and yet, without desiring to utter a paradox, I may say that the present craze has far more of sanity in it.

FRANCIS LIVINGSTON.

TALKED HIMSELF IN.

Congressman-Elect Bryan Has Little Money, but an Eloquent Tongue.

William Jennings Bryan, of Lincoln, Neb., one of the Democratic congressmen-elect who will represent a district having 450,000 people, was born in 1860 at Salem, Ills. His father, Silas L. Bryan, a lawyer of high standing, represented his people in the state senate for eight years, was circuit judge for twelve years, and as the Democratic candidate for congress in 1872 was defeated by a small majority.

The son was brought up on a farm near Salem, and was instructed at home until 10 years old. Then followed five years in the public schools, two in Whipple academy, at Jacksonville, Ills., and two at Illinois college. He graduated from the latter in 1881 as orator and valedictorian of his class. While attending the Union College of Law, at Chicago, from which he graduated in 1883, he was connected with the law office of ex-Senator Lyman Trumbull. He began to practice at Jacksonville, but removed to Nebraska's capital city in 1887, and has gained prominence rapidly.

W. J. BRYAN.

For ten years Mr. Bryan has taken a deep concern in political questions, and began speaking on the stump before he was old enough to vote. He stumped his district in 1888 for the Democratic ticket, and his geniality and eloquence brought him into acquaintance and prominence. When the congressional convention met last July he was nominated unanimously, and began his first canvass for himself. His was a remarkable campaign. A young man barely turned thirty, a resident of the state but three years and without money to use in the contest, he overturned a plurality of 3,400 given his opponent two years before, and rolled up a plurality of 6,713 for himself. He is a Presbyterian and an anti-Prohibitionist, who does not drink. Mr. Bryan's wife, a graduate of the Jacksonville Female academy, has also been admitted to the bar, not for the purpose of practicing, but that she might enter more fully into her husband's plans.

The Indian Manhood Test.

The Indian ghost dance, now so prominently brought to public notice, contains no details of physical mutilation or barbarity; yet among the ancestors of these savages Catlin witnessed ceremonies of the most painful nature in connection with the manhood test applied to young braves. Through holes in the flesh weights were tied by tendons to the different candidates, and then removed by tearing out. Batch after batch of the devotees had made "the last race" to the number of fifty or fifty five, till the weights had been torn from their bodies and left them with honorable wounds; but there was one poor fellow who was dragged for a long time, with the skull of an elk hanging to the flesh of his legs. Several men had jumped on it, but to no effect, for the splint was under the sinew, which could not be broken. He was dragged so furiously that a cry of horror arose from the spectators, when the medicine man ran forward and bade the young men stop.

The boy, who was a fine looking youth, smiled in triumph at his ghastly wounds, and then crawled through the crowd to the prairie to a secluded spot, "where he laid yet longer three days and three nights without food, until suppuration took place in the wound, and by the decaying of the flesh the weight was dropped and the splint also, which he dare not extricate in any other way. At the end of this he crawled back to the village, being too weak to walk, and begged for food, which was at once given him, and he was soon restored to health."

A Difficult Political Problem.

The present condition of the "Irish question" is a fresh illustration of the extreme difficulty of creating a federal or complete home rule system where it does not already exist. All recent writers on civil government concede that America has added one great and valuable feature to the science, but it was the result of a happy accident. [illegible] were planted [illegible] the states [illegible] their [illegible], and the [illegible] In [illegible] create [illegible] and no country has yet fully succeeded in it.

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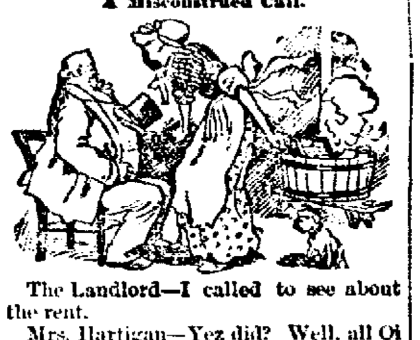
A Misconstrued Call.



The Landlord—I called to see about the rent.

Mrs. Hartigan—Yez did? Well, all Oi hav' t' say t' th' likes av you is that if yez'll buy new shirts wanst in tin year there'll be no rents in thim. That wan that was tore was like a cobwib.—Frank Leslie's.

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Popinjay—I am disturbed by an article I have just read. The writer proves that in one hundred and eighty two years the earth will be so overpopulated that there will not be enough food for people to eat.

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HEAD

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PREPARATION for Christmas has begun in earnest.

LOCAL news will be found on the fifth, seventh and eighth pages of this issue.

FRIDAY night was not the first occasion when the Marion council had an elephant on hand.

THE precious gold continues to flow from Europe into this country. There is not an objection raised on this side.

MR. PARNELL's struggle to retain the Irish leadership begins to lose promise when the withdrawal of funds is announced. That is one thing that the eminent Irish statesman can't well control.

If the Indians are really hungry they should dispose of the chief "Big Turkey," whose name signifies but a short life among civilized Americans. There is no sense in anybody being hungry with a "Big Turkey" around.

WITH Akron and Lima getting public buildings Marion ought to soon get in the procession favored by the government. Unfortunately there is no one in Congress to champion our interests, and, worse still, there isn't any prospect of a Marionite going there in a long while.

IT is said that Attorney-General Miller is booked for the Supreme Bench. President Harrison might keep Mr. Miller where he is and place some other Hoosier on the bench. That would soothe some wounded feelings in Indiana.

JUST as soon as the two big political parties set about to placate the farmer will the talk of an Alliance party cease. Both republicans and democrats will endeavor to please the farmer. They can't do otherwise. The campaign this year taught a lesson that will be heeded upon sober thought.

There is more "bossism" in English and Irish politics in a day than there is in this country in a year, notwithstanding we have the larger number of politicians and a good many are regarded unscrupulous. A couple political cyclones in Great Britian, similar to the late whopper in this country, would do the British much good.

The question is up again whether Senator Brice is a resident of Ohio or not. The Senator says he is, but the census returns from New York have him scheduled, with all the particulars concerning which then was so much said at the time of census taking. The real truth is that Senator Brice is a New Yorker but he was sufficiently a Buckeye to beat Pap Thomas for Senator and that answered all purposes.

THERE has been a good deal of speculation as to just what kind of politics Kansas has been having. This from the Nebraska State Journal, may add a little light:

> The report that one of the Kansas Congressmen-elect does not possess a pair of hose is shown to be groundless by a letter sent to the Fort Scott woolen mills by Jerry Simpson acknowledging "the recete of a butiful pare of woolin sox." This is the statesman, by the way, who remarked to a confidential friend early in the campaign: "Now wouldn't it beat h—l if I was to be elected!"

IT requires pretty slick scheming to evade the duties of the Custom House in New York. An Italian volume, more than a century and a half old, came through the foreign mail and, looking suspicious, was looked into and revealed the inside, where the leaves had been removed, to contain fine cloth. It came as printed matter but was confiscated. The genius that attempted the clever deception should be applied in some worthier channel.

CHICAGO merchants who bought heavily of imported goods just before the McKinley bill went into effect, find themselves embarrassed for the necessary means to take the goods out of the bonded warehouses at the time required by law, and they propose to ask the government to extend the time. If a special law is passed to extend the time there should be a special requirement to have the goods sold at ante-McKinley prices. The merchants should not want the earth.

Some Fast Running.

Huntington Democrat.

Vestibule train No. [illegible] on the C[illegible] and Erie road Wednesday made the best run that is credited to any train on that line for some time. It was handled by engine [illegible], engineer [illegible] Quigley, and started from Marion 27 minutes late, made twelve stops and arrived at Huntington on time, making the distance of 127 miles in just three hours and three minutes. Some of these stops were of several minutes duration so that it will readily be seen that the actual running time was considerably less than three hours.

RAMBLER'S NOTES

DOZENS OF [illegible] OF LOCAL AND PERSONAL INTEREST

Things of the Present and Some Recollections of the Past. Comments on Current Events, and a Few Brief Pointers.

Boring [illegible] Hom[illegible] for the lead that was [illegible] mind-me [illegible] He was smart enough to know that meant death. Down he went in a heap. We laid him pale and bleeding on a [illegible] and [illegible] for the hospital steward, a young M. D. The entrance wound was plain to be seen on the left side of the abdomen at the point of greatest curvature. There was no exit wound [illegible] boy must die. But he didn't die. A blue spot showed after some time on the right side, and two lance [illegible] disclosed the bullet. It was [illegible] that the ball had followed the abdominal walls without penetration, the track being between interior and exterior.

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Bob White, poor fellow, can now rest for eleven months. Peace to his dead bones. They are not many, for the guns this year missed fire.

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Cincinnati papers of the 11th have glowing accounts of the debut of a new bud of promise, Miss Blanch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Burkhart, of Mt. Auburn. It makes one feel a little ancient to note this, for Mrs. Burkhardt was an old time Marion belle, daughter of the late Thomas Prosser.

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Funny, isn't it? Marion a town of ten thousand and no orchestra, no club, no military company, no decent depot, no opera house, no paved street, no philanthropist.

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Here's a mess, did you ever try it? York State Yankees eat their buckwheat cakes with cream and sugar. It's good, too.

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The late Dr. Christian and Wm. Searles once upon a time inveigled George May into eating half a coon for American hare. George, being an Englishman, knew hare.

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Beware of elephant steak. I knew a fellow who cooked a blacksnake for an eel and fed it to a fishing party.

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Prof. Arthur Powell looks like Allen O. Myers—smooth-faced, boyish looking, but they get there.

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Don't eat meat for a week. Lay low and eat turnips. Cause why? There is a chunk of old Chief, the elephant killed in Cincinnati, in town, and it is going into the pot. Look your butcher firmly in the eye when you order.

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The Board of Trade can only survive by adding a social feature to it just like a club. Bring out the calico once a month. Let the B. of T. originate an occasional social and she's a go.

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S'pose the Board of Education adopt gymnastics for the High School. Down East the fad is physical culture in all the schools. We must awake and be modern.

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The forest south of town known as the Uncapher woods is fast going. It was never before disturbed since it was made the subject of U. S. entry.

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Parnell, the uncrowned King, finds a sea of trouble in the fact that the Irish people as a nation, is a nation of pure morals, so noted.

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One thing about Marion county. We sent seventeen hundred men to war—four hundred were hit with bullets. Forty per cent. of the surviving warriors are pensioned elsewhere, while we only have twenty-five per cent. We have less than the number shot.

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John R. Knapp who was in Marion recently, was a lively old time democratic politician. He missed election once, because while riding along a road in Richland he struck at a [illegible] with his whip. The lash winding about the neck gave a good hold, so in high glee John R. dragged Mr. [illegible] along the highway. [illegible] a farmer saw it, reported it, and down went John R. on election day.

RAMBLER.

NEWSPAPER REMINISCENCES

Marion's First Publication of Over Fifty Years Ago. The Gazette. Some Things It Contained.

The STAR has been handed a [illegible] worn out, dilapidated copy of the Marion [illegible], the first newspaper [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

MANSION HOUSE.

[illegible] no efforts will be spared on the part of the subscriber, to render his guests comfortable and the accommodations shall not be surpassed by any village house from Columbus to the Lake.

By prompt and careful attention to business, he hopes to merit a share of the patronage of the public.

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Here is another of especial interest at present in the way of reminiscence:

NOTICE.

The commissioned officers of the 1st Regiment, 1st Brigade, [illegible] Division of Ohio Militia, are hereby notified to meet in the town of Big Island on the 1st Saturday in July next, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and [illegible] p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing one Lieutenant Colonel for said Regiment.

JAMES MARTIN,
May [illegible] Colonel.

Among the news columns are many items that appear strange at this time. The following, which was taken from the Delaware, Ohio, Gazette, will be particularly delightful to sportsmen:

"Thompson township against the world for Squirrel Hunting. Twenty-six men killed in the above township, on the [illegible] of this month, with rifles, [illegible] squirrels. A parallel for this extraordinary success from any quarter, is boldly challenged."

Of the other items of news here are specimens:

"Nine of the Boston Banks have resumed specie payment in full, on all their liabilities."

"Great Britain, it is said has recognized the Independence of Texas."

"Green Peas made their appearance in London on the 19th of April, and sold at Forty dollars per peck."

"The number of banks in the United States, last year, was 1614."

"DIED—On the 7th inst., at Mt. Gilead, Marion county, of consumption, Mr. James R. Sage, aged 40 years and 11 months. He was a worthy and enterprising citizen, an honest man, and a native of the state of New York.

Among the advertisements were those of J. Merrill, tailor; J. R. Johnston, clock and watch maker; Watson & Wheat, attorneys and councellors at law, Gilbert Merriett, wool carder, and one announcing the "Public Sale of the Wyandott Lands, by the President of the United States," signed by Martin Van Buren, President.

LA TOURETTE'S CASE.

Over Two Days Consumed in Hearing Plaintiff's Testimony.

The case of Abram LaTourette against the Marion Manufacturing Co., wherein plaintiff asks the court for the appointment of a receiver, has been dragging along through common pleas court since Thursday morning, with the exception of this forenoon, court adjourning Friday evening until today at 2 o'clock.

The entire time up till Friday afternoon was occupied in hearing the testimony for plaintiff, and when it was all in, defendant's attorneys demurred to the testimony and asked that the case be dismissed. The question of dismissal was argued in part Friday afternoon, and was continued this afternoon.

McNeal & Wolford and B. G. Young are conducting the defense and H. T. VanFleet appears for plaintiff.

Mrs. Fisher Dead.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher, mother of Mrs. E. S. Bull, died at her daughter's home on south East street, at 7:30 this morning, from paralysis. Mrs. Fisher received the fatal stroke on December 3, since which time she lingered in a conscious but perfectly helpless state. More than a year ago she suffered a stroke but from that she partially recovered.

Mrs. Fisher was a native of Norfalk, England, but the greatest portion of her life was spent in Toronto, Canada, where she resided until two years ago, coming to Marion in 1888 to make her home with Mrs. Bull. Though 81 years of age she was a singularly bright and interesting old lady, and her demise is deeply regretted. She leaves three daughters.

Funeral to be held at 2 p. m. Monday, at the residence of Mrs. E. S. Bull, [illegible] East street. The remains will be placed in the vault.

That Elephant Banquet.

Elephant banquet sounds funny, doesn't it? But it was not as big an affair as the name indicates. It has been stated that the members of the city council who made the trip to [illegible] brought from Cincinnati a piece of the big elephant, "Chief," who was killed at the Zoo the other day, which was to be served at a banquet to the party and some of their friends. There were but thirteen in the party, including members of the council and a few appreciative friends, who sat down to the spread Friday evening at the English Kitchen, where elephant [illegible] was the chief feature. The [illegible] [illegible] Mr. Davis' case [illegible] [illegible] Price 50 cents. For sale by all leading druggists.

THE WYMAN COMPANY.

Progress of Its New Works—Mr. Monroe's Latest Improvements.

The new building in West Marion, being erected by the Wyman Manufacturing company of this city, and to be occupied by the works of that company, is rapidly nearing completion. The building is commodious, and will be a good one and well arranged in every particular. The roof is now going on, and it is expected to have everything ready for occupancy during the first weeks of January, and in operation if possible by that time. The orders for machinery already received are sufficient to keep the company busy for some time.

H. H. Monroe, who was the chief inspiration of the works here, and who holds patents on the line of machinery to be manufactured, has made another valuable improvement on the rotary harrow, which is one of the principal machines on the list of the company's make. The harrow is called the "Triple Roller Rotary," and is also a combination of cultivator. Mr. Monroe's latest improvement was patented a couple weeks ago, and it adds new and valuable features to the harrow, and gives further protection in the line of patents to the principles involved in the complete machine. A sample of the harrow and cultivator complete is now at the Marion Manufacturing Co.'s works, where it was recently built by the inventor.

There is no doubt as to the successful working of the harrow and cultivator, as the original machine was thoroughly tested by farmers near here during the past season, who are enthusiastic in attesting its worth.

The Wyman Co. has a line of machinery that is destined to revolutionize farm work, much of which has been successfully tried, and there appears no doubt but the establishment of the Marion branch of the manufactory will add to the valuable industries of the city.

The laws of health are taught in our schools; but not in a way to be much practical benefit and are never illustrated by living examples, which in many cases could easily be done. If some scholar, who had just contracted a cold was brought before the school, so that all could hear the dry loud cough, and know its significance; see the thin white coating on the tongue and later, as the cold developes, see the profuse watery expectoration and thin watery discharge from the nose, not one of them would ever forget what the first symptoms of a cold were. The scholar should then be given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely, that all might see that even a severe cold could be cured in one or two days, or at least greatly mitigated, when properly treated as soon as the first symptoms appear. For sale by Flocken & Co., Druggists.

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16[illegible]—104 feet front on Cherry street, with 3 room house, $1200. 1-3 cash, 1-3 1 year, 1-3 2 years.
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—We have a large line of dolls yet, that we will sell at reduced prices until Christmas. W. A. Sellers & Co., Union Block, S. Main street.

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—Large dressed doll to be given away Christmas morning. A ticket given with every 25¢ worth of goods bought. W. A. SALLERS & Co.

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—Ladies of Marion will please remember that Mrs. C. P. Gailey is prepared to supply them with stamping, embroidery silks, stamped linens, etc.

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CALL AND INSPECT IT.

—Mrs. William Jacobs is sick at her home on the Boulevard.

—Ben Stevens is quite sick at his home on north East street.

—The Marion Steam Shovel Co. shipped two ballast unloaders to Cuba Friday.

—J. A. Vail has been sick for a couple days, and is still unable to attend business affairs.

—Rollin Thompson, while skating on Dix's pond, accidently fell and cut his knee quite severely.

—Mrs. Ella Kersey is sick, with erysiplas, at the home of J. H. Richards, on north Main street.

—Will Bull is off duty from the STAR office on account of the death of his grandmother, Mrs. E. Fisher.

—James Doty had the misfortune of having the ends of two of his fingers cut off by a door slaming on them.

—The public schools will close next Friday for the holiday vacation. A two weeks vacation will be given this year.

—Manager Sargent is rushed with queries for dates at Music Hall. The latest to want in is a Burlesque Variety company.

—The next attraction at Music Hall will be J. J. Riley in the Broommaker of Carlsbad, to be here Tuesday, the 23d of December.

—Ed. Durst, the man who shot at Marshal Cunningham at Richwood, has entered upon his term of a year in the Ohio penitentiary.

—The Model Comedy Co. will open the new city hall at Richwood, Christmas week, showing three nights there on a handsome guarantee.

—The Marion Manufacturing Co.'s works were closed down Friday afternoon on account of a break about the engine. The delay was quite temporary.

—Miss Elma Harmon, of Ft. Wayne, who has been spending the past few weeks in this city, the guest of Miss Jessie Masden, departed for Galion this noon.

—The Episcopal Fair netted over $150, the fancy table alone making more than half this sum. The ladies are to be congratulated on the success they achieved.

—C. G. Wiant has received two novel signs from Chicago that are beauties. Charley is showing great enterprise all round, and is one of the livliest of our live business men.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Sharpless pleasantly entertained about a dozen of their friends Friday evening, at their home on South street. Cards, a pleasant social time and elegant refreshments, made the evening one of enjoyment.

—The pie social held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vorhees, by the ladies of the Baptist church, was a pleasing success socially and gratifying financially. The next social will be held on the Tuesday night between Christmas and New Years.

—Prospect Advance: The people living a few miles south of town were greatly excited on Wednesday of last week by the appearance of a mad dog in their midst. A man by the name of Blair was bitten in the hand, a little girl in the face, and three other persons. The dog died that afternoon.

—Huntington Democrat: V. T. Malott is in New York with the Erie people settling up the affairs of the receivership of the Chicago and Atlantic, so far as its dealings with the Erie people are concerned. He expects to have matters of the C. and A. so far settled that the court will relieve him of the receivership soon after January 1st.

—The anniversary social at the Free Baptist church last evening, in commemoration of Rev. Hale's pastorate, was well attended. A good supper was well served. Two long tables were supplied with good things and surrounded with guests most of the time from 6 to 9 p. m. The net proceeds were about $40. The committee who had the management of the social desire to thank all their friends for their very liberal patronage.

G. A. R. Notice.

Headquarters Cooper Post,
No. 117, G. A. R.
Marion, Ohio, Dec. 12, 1890.

GENERAL ORDER No. 13:—

All officers and comrades are ordered to report at these headquarters at 6:30 p. m., Wednesday evening, for duty in order to be ready for the Bean Bake at 8 o'clock. By order of
CLARK DIX, Commander.
J. B. KING, Adjt.

Closing Out Millinery.

To close out my stock of winter millinery, I offer it at prices much below cost. Note some of the prices:

Tips at $1.25, worth $1.75.
Tips at $1.00, worth $1.50.
Ribbons at 50¢, worth 75¢.
Ribbons at 25¢, worth 50¢.
Hats and fancy feathers at your own price. [illegible] LAURA HARDY.

Confirmed.

The favorable impression produced on the first appearance of the agreeable liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs a few years ago has been more than confirmed by the pleasant experience of all who have used it, and the success of the proprietors and manufacturers the California Fig Syrup Company.

Colored Dress Silks

For the holiday trade. All of the best shades in colored faille silks, at $10.50, $12.50 and $15.50, a pattern. Everybody knows that they are worth $16 to $18. The shades are olive, navy, wine, tan, medium brown, reseda myrtle and slate.
29t3 WARNER & EDWARDS.

—Catarrh indicates impure blood, and to cure it, take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies the blood. Sold by all druggists.

Fine Holiday Linens

BEAUTIFUL Table Sets, in Plain White and with Colored Borders, Cloth and Napkins to match; Extra Fine Bleached and Unbleached Table Linens by the yard; Turkey Red Table Damasks, Napkins, Doilies, Tray Cloths, Plain and Fancy Towels.

Dress Goods and Cloaks!

IN these departments we are offering at present WONDERFUL and, in fact, ASTONISHING BARGAINS. If you wish to purchase a nice Dress Pattern, or Handsome Plush or Cloth Wrap, call and get our latest cut prices on same.

SEFFNER BROS.,

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—A magnificent variety of beautiful card cases, in russia, seal, imitation seal, calf, goat and morocco leathers, with a very desirable assortment of ladies' fine pocket books, at Wiant's.

—Do not fail to get our prices on albums as we have a larger line and offering at closer figures than ever before, at Wiant's.

—Special for tonight, two dozen bananas 25 cents; fancy celery and fresh bread. J. W. THEW.

—Plush cases, our prices are of a very pleasing nature. Call in and see what we are offering, at Wiant's.

—Buy your Christmas presents at W. A. Sellers & Co.'s and get ticket on doll. 20-tf.

—Rough surface, ragged edge, water color cards for painting, at Wiant's.

—Remember NELSONS cash grocery is always at the bottom on prices.

—A splendid assortment of books, adapted for all ages, at Wiant's,

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For any trace of Antipyrine, Morphine, Chloral or any other injurious compound in Krause's Headache Capsules.

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All kinds of Needle Art Work started or done to order by Miss Sherbrooke, of Columbus, O. All at reasonable prices at

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Marion buyers will find these goods to be of extra quality—equal to all we recommed them.

Fies & Ballentine,

138 and 140 South Main Street.

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For both ladies and gentlemen, ranging in price from

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Which will be sold to the trade at prices that can not fail to please. Our goods are all new and fresh---no old shop-worn goods to work off. We HAVE BUT ONE PRICE, hence children can buy as cheap as their parents.

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Are all of the best makes and at prices that will please you. We sell only Strictly Pure Spices. By fair dealing, good goods and low prices we expect to merit a fair share of the trade. We would be pleased to have you call and examine prices and goods whether you buy or not. ALL GOODS PROMPTLY DELIVERED.

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That breathe so of economy that they should call the attention of every buyer of

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Special Prices on Orr's Overalls and Jackets!

MARION HARLAND.

SHE WRITES FEELINGLY ON THE SUBJECT OF HOLIDAY BLACKMAIL.

The Question of Christmas Presents Is a Most Serious One, She Says, and Has in Fact Become a Genuine Nuisance—It Should Be Abated.

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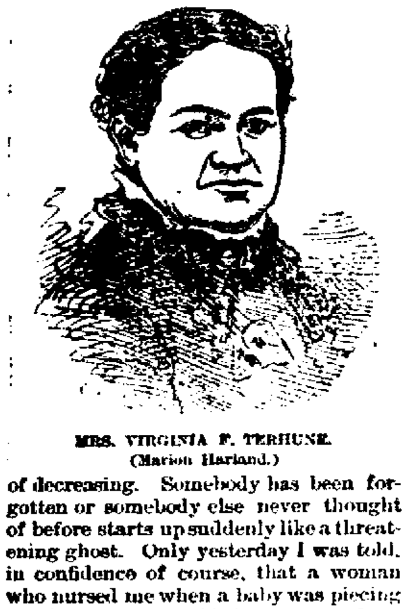
It lies upon the table over there as I write. A list of forty-seven people, young and old—men, women and children, some of the last unconscious babies, to whom Christmas presents, great and small, must be made at the nearing holiday season.

A fair young face bends above the fatal paper; a pair of sorrowful brown eyes go down one column and up the other, hopeless and perplexed.

"Screen them," I suggest, "as they treat coal in mining regions. There must be some that you could leave out without doing serious mischief."

"Not one!" she answers hollowly. "I began sifting them as early as the first week in October, and have been over the list almost daily since. It grows instead



MRS. VIRGINIA F. TERHUNE.
(Marion Harland.)

of decreasing. Somebody has been forgotten or somebody else never thought of before starts up suddenly like a threatening ghost. Only yesterday I was told, in confidence of course, that a woman who nursed me when a baby was piecing a bedquilt against Christmas as a pleasant surprise. I know it will be hideous, and I have lost sight of her for twelve years. She has just bethought herself that I was 'the sweetest baby she ever nursed.' I have no doubt she has pieced calico spreads for a dozen others in as many years on the same pretext; but that doesn't alter the matter. I must have something ready for her."

"It is a hard case," I assent. "And an unreasonable."

"Hard! It is demoralizing to the last degree! Would you believe it of a girl brought up in the heart of Christian civilization? My second cousin died in Indianapolis a year ago last September, and the thought flashed at once into my my mind, 'There's a five dollar Christmas gift saved.' You see, she always made something for me with her own fingers and paid express charges, and I must reciprocate. I just hate myself when I recollect my instinctive sense of relief. But it is all the fault of this wretched system of holiday blackmail. Here I am compelled by honor and conscience to anticipate my allowance for three months to come and begin the new year over head and ears in debt! And all for what?"

"Yet you like to make presents?"

"I revel in free will offerings! Nobody enjoys them more. Of that class twenty-five are represented on this paper" (filliping it disdainfully). "The other twenty-two are virtually compulsory. For instance: there are fifteen girls—old schoolmates—who regularly 'remember' me at Christmas, and I don't care a rap for more than five of them. In an evil hour we took up the practice of exchanging gifts. If you do it once, you must do it twice, or you are suspected of stinginess and fickleness, and that twice ties you to a wheel that only death can stop. I tried it once.

"I forgot (purposely) four of the fifteen one year, when I was especially impecunious, and what should each of the quartet do but select that particular season for making me the most expensive presents they had ever sent me! I was never so mortified in my life. That bound me soul and body to 'remember' them—how I detest the humbuggery of the word!—with extraordinary distinctness each year. But I've no time to waste in useless lamentation. I have two smoking caps, three baby sacques, a tray cloth and a pair of bedside slippers to finish yet. And can't you tell me of something to send to a fussy old spinster who was the bosom friend of my great aunt for whom I was named? Something that won't cost a dollar and looks as if it cost six?"

My vivacious girl friend touches but does not probe the sore fretted into our social and domestic system by the perversion of what was at first a sweet and holy custom. Her jeremiad is not an exaggeration in any detail. There are groaning souls who, in reading it, will complain that it lacks color.

The moment that the element of the expected and compulsory enters into the act of giving that instant all graciousness departs from it. The principle is stringent and without exception. When obligation imposed by the expectant recipient goes to the length of prescribing the nature and moneyed value of the thing to be bestowed custom becomes tyranny, and calls loudly for reform. Yet that this is today, upon the threshold of Christmas, 1890, the aspect of the holiday gift question nobody will deny, unless it be the confessed pauper who has long ago abandoned the pretense of giving and greedily anticipates the harvest of conventional benefaction due during the blessed week.

The odd reversal of the positions of giver and taker begins in this very lowest stratum. It not always as [illegible] ly manifested as by the little girl in a ragged school who threw her doll [illegible] and trampled upon it because she had had three given by other schools and had set her heart upon a necklace in [illegible]

It w[illegible] each of [illegible] terial for a [illegible] linings [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] convers[illegible] back stairs one [illegible] the presents [illegible] the seminary [illegible] having been [illegible] gained new light upon the [illegible] ties of employés.

From the animated interchange of views in the kitchen cabinet it transpired that the "quality" now [illegible] mostly gives money to "gurrels" out of service, and never less nor five dollars apiece—generally in gowld. "You see, thin, she can't get the best of us by putting off cheap things she's likely got at a bargain, or may be at an auction, upon us poor people, an' a gurrel can choose her own colors or, if she likes jewelry, if she doesn't care to put the money in the bank. There's nothin' so downright [illegible] as money!"

All this while feeling and commenting upon the texture of fabrics worth so much more than the "downright [illegible]tale" half eagle prescribed that I have gladly ever since followed in the footsteps of the "quality," and left the disposition of the golden gratuity to the "gurrels'" taste.

Donations in these and similar cases are not contingent upon good behavior.

To make a distinction in the value of the presents at Christmas time between faithful and unfaithful domestics or work people of any grade would raise a storm of strictures and jealousies. All must share alike according to the code to which we slavishly submit. As certain, if less demonstrative, would be the feeling aroused by the failure of a manufacturer to "remember" his operatives at this season by the gift of a turkey to every married man and a stated sum of money to each bachelor.

These tokens—no longer of good will and of approval, but of obedience on the part of the so called strong to the unwritten exactions of the so called weak—must be offered, or the employer knows what to expect in open disaffection and waning popularity. He has no option any more than has the house mistress. It would be folly to imagine that the said tokens will bind by so much as a gossamer thread employés more closely to the giver. On the other hand, the likelihood of changes directly after the holidays is as well understood as the habit common to household servants and mission school children of holding on to a situation until the annual distribution of gifts is over. A new comer is not eligible to the ranks of the claimants, therefore keep a place if possible until after Christmas.

People smile, some patiently, some unmeasly, at the notorious rally upon Sunday schools in the week preceding the holidays. Since it must be, let it be. The "chance of doing" the "venal little arabs "some good" is set down and reckoned against the certainty that the nomadic horde is encouraged in greed, hypocrisy and impertinent vanity by the truckling of worthy Christians to this ramification of the gigantic system of holiday blackmail. If we do not have festival and Christmas tree sleds, jackknives, dolls, drums, cheap trinkets and "goodies" for them they will "attend" St. Jonah's around the corner, where there is to be a live Santa Claus in a real sleigh and a silver dime in the bottom of each lace and ribbon stocking, corpulent with candies. All this may be pious policy, a touch of serpentine wisdom, but it is also desecration of the day and violence done to its meaning.

Rising higher in the social, moral and intellectual scale, we again confront my despondent girl visitor, and her forty-seven muslins with their more refined game of tit-for-tat. Had she not been scared away by the haunting apparition of labors yet undone, she could have given us some curiously interesting points as to the rules by which her "remembrances" are graded in worth and imperativeness. The law of giving to him that hath holds here, if [illegible] here. Rich friends who [illegible] and who [illegible] making costly presents [illegible] sulted by cheap [illegible] cheated into rating at six [illegible] showy trifle that cost but one. You may be positive that the bedside slippers and baby sacques are not for those who wear purple and fine linen, nor the smoking caps for the heads of [illegible] unless they are of [illegible] velvet, with dainty distinctive [illegible] in the way of monograms or college colors and insignia.

It would be safe to take odds in favor of the supposition that most of the articles yet to be fashioned are for rural relations, who "expect something from each member of the family." Rich recipients—probably among these the four girls for which our frank protestant does not care a pinch of [illegible]—were looked after first of all. Duty and pride [illegible] [illegible]

Wo[illegible] of giving [illegible] or th[illegible] [illegible] Christmas is [illegible]

[illegible] of needles an[illegible] of paint laden [illegible] saw and tap[illegible] mer in these sh[illegible] respond to the [illegible].

Taxes are levied upon [illegible] children "to buy something for principals" and superintendents, upon [illegible] to get up testimonials [illegible] upon clerks to make [illegible] offerings to important heads of departments. Popular pastors are [illegible] experience to expect [illegible] must be made one or most [illegible] upon church and parish. The men may fume inwardly and the poor widow at her [illegible] and re[illegible] levy, but we all march with [illegible] the pocket nerve [illegible] of justice are outraged, to the [illegible] whistle. Backward or forward it means the one thing. We are expected or we expect others "to pay for it." It may be added that we also pay, in the sense of suffering, when we decline to recognize the necessity of conforming to the general rule, and will not give except of our own free will and for love's sake.

In these three last words is the essence of the real Christmas gift—the reflection of the glory of the great gift the anniversary is supposed to celebrate. For if, as some legends have it, the custom commemorates the offerings poured into the manger by the Magi, the analogy again fails us. The votive gold, frankincense and myrrh were not tendered in purchase or barter.

In writing thus I am awkwardly unfortunate if I do not leave entirely out of the question at present under fire real love gifts, lavished as the heavens send down the snow, and joyous as the blessing of the sunshine. The delicious mysteries of family plots for the happiness of those for whom toil is delightsome and economy easy of practice, the sweet stealth with which friend studies the need and tastes of friend, the glad grant of the abundant larder to the empty, are the soul of everyday life, the poetry and beauty of the Noel season, the spirit of vital piety.

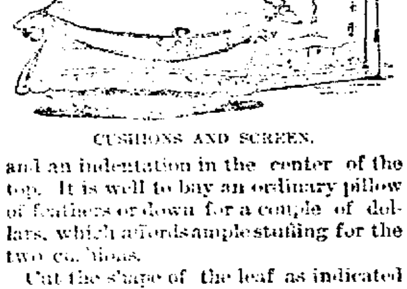
This is giving worthy of the name; is, in deed as in letter, a fit, if faint, type of that of which the holy Christmastide should keep us in thankful remembrance. It binds the mighty family of mankind into closer fellowship in the name of our Elder Brother and the loving Father whose unspeakable gift he was to the world.

MARION HARLAND.

English Comfort for American Homes.

From London, we have a new design for chair backs or saddlebags.

The two cushions formerly made in shape of modest squares, laced together with narrow ribbon across the top, and garnished with tiny tassels about the edges, set astride the back of a wicker rocking chair or straight back reception chair, have been displaced by cushions in the shape of a large conventionalized fig leaf. The cushion has four points



CUSHIONS AND SCREEN.

and an indentation in the center of the top. It is well to buy an ordinary pillow of feathers or down for a couple of dollars, which affords ample stuffing for the two cushions.

Cut the shape of the leaf as indicated in the sketch out of stout unbleached muslin. These forms are then duplicated in India or China silk. Green is the most effective color to be used, and in two shades, the darker tone for the upper side of the cushion and the lighter shade for the lower side, suggestive of the lighter lining of a natural leaf.

The edges and veins are outlined in silk cord of the lighter shade of silk, as the veining in a real leaf is generally lighter than the surface. The two points of both cushions at either side of the indentation for the stem are then fastened together. At one side is set a rosette made of a ruche of silk in the two shades and tied through the center with rich green ribbon. The cushion is then in readiness to be placed on the chair's back, to which it lends both comfort and ornament. Since the feathers are of most [illegible] it is well to suggest a slumber roll worked with dainty silk to be left seven inches longer than the cushion, cut diagonally across the ends and lined with plush. A girdle of ribbon is then [illegible] to hang it on the chair's back. The jaunty ends display [illegible] plush lining [illegible] have practically [illegible] as the saddlebag with half the labor and cost.

A nest of cushions is almost a necessary appointment in a drawing room or library of today. Piled at the side of a [illegible] broad couch, covered with a Bag[illegible], which, incongruous as it sounds, [illegible] since best to the [illegible] it does away [illegible] are these cushions, [illegible] variety. They [illegible] stuffs of [illegible] man- [illegible] quarters of [illegible] The silk is [illegible] in the cush- [illegible] with [illegible] upholstery [illegible] ears, [illegible] to [illegible] just [illegible] [illegible] in a [illegible] each [illegible] and [illegible] in each panel.

[illegible] Christmas in [illegible]

EMMA MOFFET TYNG.

HIS KNOWLEDGE ON T[illegible]

BILL NYE AN[illegible] ANOTHER [illegible] OF ANXIOUS INQUIRERS.

Fugitive Facts About Calvary, Libby Prison, Managerial Prevaricators and the McKinley Bill—Slot Machines and Harrison's Portrait.

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The following notes and inquiries are waiting for reply this morning and I hasten to attend to them in this issue of the paper. Others are in hand, but space will forbid my attention to them for some time at least, if not even longer than that:

Mr. St. Clair Hinckley, of South Meridian, writes to know "if it is really true that a company has been organized to acquire title to Calvary for exhibition purposes, and if so, briefly, what are the particulars? Is Libby prison on exhibition?"

Such a syndicate—an unpardonable syndicate—has been formed in London with Sir Andrew Clarke as the head. It is not always the Yankee who buys up holy ground for such purposes.

The idea is to put a barbed wire fence around Calvary and other places of sacred interest and charge an admission. Whether Kiralfy will give his spectacular show inside the inclosure every evening, closing with a ballet, I do not know; but the sultan has granted to the new corporation special privileges in Asiatic Turkey and Palestine. So that those who desire to see this sacred spot before admission is charged should lose no time in going.

Certainly the commercial spirit has advanced with rapid strides during the past 2,000 years. Some time ago a man living in California whose wife had been dead for ten years removed the body from its original place of burial, and on opening the casket it was found that the body was completely petrified. The husband, who had long wished to pay a visit to his old home in New England, therefore started out, giving exhibitions of the body in order to pay expenses, as he was a poor man and had not visited his boyhood home for many years.

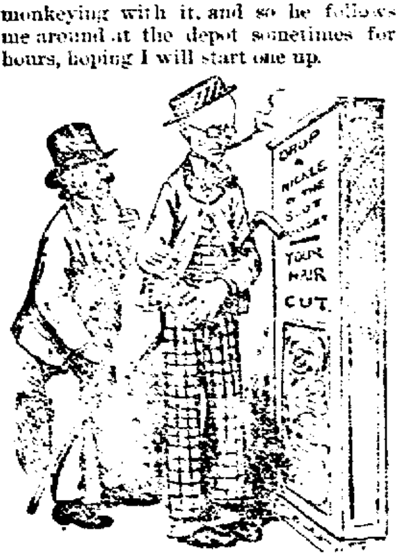
He did well, traveling in good style all the way, and taking his time to make the trip and see the sights. Reaching a town of some size, he would get out some dodgers, hire a rink for a day or two and do first rate. His attraction was tractable, easily managed, no board to pay, no quarrels, no late hours or dissipation. All was comfortable, quiet and respectable. It partook of the solemn, tearful nature of a public funeral, with the comforting box office reports of "The Clemenceau Case."

People came from a long distance to see the petrified partner of the door-tender, who was bathed in tears. People who had infested funerals for years came and brought their families. Also tie it dinners. They speak of it yet with pride.

A friend of mine, who is a sort of scientist, sort of a self made scientist who has kept it very quiet, shrinking as he does from publicity, the publishers also shrinking from publishing his writings, asked the husband if it would be possible for the advancement of science to obtain at a reasonable figure a toe or finger of the remains. He had no hope of doing so, but he was that kind of man. He would do anything in the world for science. So the impresario broke off a finger as you would divide your stick of peppermint candy with a friend, and when the scientist took out his check book to adjust the claim, and asked rather apprehensively what the price would be, the stricken man said: "Well, of course I don't know what I'd ort for to charge ye; but do you think six bits would be too much?"

He was like everybody who is careful of small matters, viz., an ass in heavy transactions. He could just as well have charged the scientist $25 as 75 cents. Did you ever see a skinflint who could successfully operate on a big scale?

On second thought, however, there is a notable exception comes to my mind now. It is a man in New York who is worth at least a score of millions of dollars, and yet he hangs around in the depot sometimes for hours waiting for some one to put a nickel in the slot of the little locomotive model, so that he can hear it play and "see the wheels go round." Twice he has maddened me by this course. He knows my weakness. He knows that I cannot pass a slot machine, even if it be out of order, without monkeying with it, and so he follows me around at the depot sometimes for hours, hoping I will start one up.



DROP A NICKLE IN THE SLOT
YOUR HAIR CUT

I CANNOT PASS A SLOT MACHINE.

Artemus Ward used to tell about two New England brothers who met after a separation of ten years and saluted each other as follows:

"Hullo, Henry! By Gosh, how be ye?"

"Oh, tolably for an old man. How be you?"

"Wall, fair to middlin'. What's the news?"

"Oh, nawthin' special. M[illegible] that old hoss I used to hev?"

"[illegible] Yis, yis, of course. What of him? Is he dead?"

"No. I sold him!"

"Thunder!"

"Yis. Got $150 faw him."

"Well, well, well! M[illegible] [illegible] did he git? Wh[illegible] d'ye sell [illegible]?"

"Guess."

"My patience! I never [illegible] guess in [illegible] years. Who d'je sell him tew, Henry?"

"Well, sir, I sold him to [illegible]."

As Americans we allow few other nations to [illegible] us in thrift, but I admit that lately several of them have the [illegible] on us. In Berlin a while ago, when the procession turned out to do honor to Von Moltke, the thrifty Germans turned their coats inside out because it sprinkled during the march, and now [illegible] comes an English syndicate with royal permission to inclose and sell hot popcorn or start a razzle dazzle on the site of the crucifixion.

Libby prison is removed now to Chicago and is exactly reproduced. It is also one of the best war museums in the country. Among other things there I noticed recently a picture of Gen. B. Harrison, taken in war times, as Riley would say, when the army broke out. It is a photograph in uniform and is quite plain. If it had been used during the campaign of 1880 I think the results would have been different.

The uniform was no doubt made hastily and has no doubt been bitterly regretted since by the man who did it. It was put on hurriedly also, I would say, upon hearing the call to arms. The

IN LIBBY PRISON.

sleeves are made long, so as to obviate the necessity for mittens, and should have been rolled up before the picture was taken. The trousers are made full at the hips and gored, evidently for an Englishman, while the bosom of the coat is flaccid and prehensile.

In the picture Gen. Harrison wears his hair long, and his whiskers strive in vain to look warlike. The picture does not inspire one with awe. Many go to look at it because it is said to be his only photograph in uniform. But few are awed by it. Many hundred go away apparently pleased about something. If I were Gen. Harrison I would buy it at an early date and conceal it. I would not mind the price.

S. Q. G., Dallas, Tex., writes: "I see that you are advertised to lecture in several Texas cities this season. Is it true that you are to be here this season?"

No, it is not true; at least, I think not. After the reunion and camp fire of the men who think they are managing me of course I can tell better. One man especially is quite obnoxious to me in this way. He makes engagements for me and then consults me about it afterward. He made a triumphal tour for me again this year before saying anything to me about it, and when I refused to go he wrote the committees that I was dangerously ill. The letters are now coming in on every mail inquiring about it. This party has every year asked me if he might join the joyful multitude of men who manage me, but I have annually requested him to let my affairs alone. He does not seem to be able to control himself, however; so this year he planned a preliminary farewell tour and contracted with quite a number of cities.

Then he came blithely to me and asked me to throw up my other engagements and go. I hate to have these misunderstandings, and "would rather follow my manager to his grave" than see him act that way.

Mastodon, South Brooklyn, asks: "Can you not say a word against the dark closets and clothes presses which infest this country? They make me very hot sometimes. Oh! will you not throw light on the dark closet? I cannot think of anything more poignant than of a nervous man in a dark closet trying to find the key to the wine cellar in his wife's other dress, when he fears every moment that she will return and discover him."

Yes, the unlighted and ill ventilated clothes closet is a most disagreeable feature of our modern civilization, and I feel like rising as one man to protest against it. It is not healthful. It is not convenient. It is not nice.

A friend of mine the other day was called hurriedly west. His wife packed his grip for him, and hastily throwing his overcoat over his arm he jumped into a close carriage and lit out. As the train sailed out of the depot a friend on board said:

"Going to Chicago?"

"Yes."

"Expect to go out a good deal there, I presume?"

"Oh, no. Going on business."

"Ah! thought you would probably mingle in the giddy whirl a good deal whilst there."

"Why?"

"Well, I see you have your dress suit on your arm."

Sure enough, he had thought he had his satin lined overcoat over his arm, and was on his way to Chicago with a dress suit instead. It was a case of dark closet. I dislike this institution, and hope the day is not far distant when air and light will be admitted to the clothes closets of this country, so that [illegible] w[illegible] will not find himself [illegible] at [illegible] service wearing his w[illegible] [illegible] petticoat around his [illegible], because it is annoying to those who are sensitive to ridicule.

Eltingville, Staten Island, asks who was [illegible]

T[illegible] Hawkins [illegible] The Ch[illegible] ful [illegible] pen [illegible] any [illegible] that is [illegible] Mr. F[illegible] was [illegible] Hawkins [illegible] a fund [illegible] lingerie [illegible] the [illegible] baby [illegible] the [illegible]

It was [illegible] Mr. Field, and a big flannel [illegible] of [illegible] before they [illegible] the fact [illegible] him a bolt of [illegible] red flannel, not for its intrinsic value but as a recognition of genuine goodness and worth.

Whenever [illegible] I [illegible] Hawkins [illegible] would pull up his sleeve and show [illegible] warm wristband of his unshrinkable flannels.

Aunty [illegible], Fairfield, N. J., asks: "What do think was the cause of the great political change last election? Was it because people did not understand the McKinley bill?"

No, I think not. I am a Republican with tariff reform tendencies, and I am quite sure it was not because the people failed to understand the bill. That is charging the American nation with a degree of ignorance which 67,000,000 people could hardly possess, it seems to me.

When I lived in Wyoming I ran for the legislature. I was defeated. On counting the votes it occurred to me that the people of Wyoming had a political or personal repugnance for me and did not desire to have me legislate for them.

It was not because they misunderstood the bill.

A charming little brochure is just out containing gems of oratory from Ingersoll, Blaine, Daniel Dougherty and Chauncey M. Depew. They are the mature thoughts of these great men, and are entirely new, never having been published before or even publicly delivered. The book contains about 300 pages, well printed and carefully and neatly bound. It is compiled by an old stenographer who was for ten years an after dinner orator, and thus was enabled to hear and take down some of the oratorical gems which these eminent gentlemen afterward wished that they had expressed at the dinner. The author asks me to kindly withhold his name.

Bill Nye

A Satisfactory Interview.

Editor—You offered yourself to my daughter last night, you say.

Squibb—Yes, sir.

"Did you compose yourself for that occasion?"

"I did; yes, sir."

"You are sure you hadn't been the rounds, and declined with thanks several times?"

"Quite sure, sir."

"My daughter found you available, did she?"

"She accepted me; yes, sir."

"Well, a professional humorist is a funny man for my daughter to marry, and you have my blessing. Check will follow soon."—Puck.

A Slight Error.

"We'll have to dispense with your services after today," said the editor.

"What's the matter now?" asked the idiot reporter.

"Aren't you the man who wrote up the coffin holocaust?"

"Yes."

"Well, we don't want a man who says in that connection that 'fortunately none of the coffins was occupied, so no lives were lost.' Your place is on a comic paper or in a lunatic asylum."—Munsey's Weekly.

Justifiable Homicide.

"There was a good deal of excitement over the killing and for a time lynching was talked of, but when the cause of it became known there was a reversal of public sentiment and the verdict of justifiable homicide was unanimously approved."

"What was the cause?"

"This: Why is a feller in pursuit of a young lady like an exclamation point?

"Because he follows a lass (alas!)"—New York Herald.

It Was Breast.

"I should like to observe, madam," said the patient boarder, "that while I am very fond of the neck of the fowl you are carving I shall deny myself this year and beg for a large white chunk off the breast. With this view I have had my trunk packed and a drayman is now waiting at the door for an answer. Er—Isn't breast a neck?"—American Grocer.

Across the Way.

Across the way there is a window lattice
That peeps out [illegible]
All fluttering with [illegible]
[illegible]
And as I go [illegible] without [illegible] early,
And of the [illegible]
I saw, as in a [illegible] and pearly,
A yellow [illegible]

I pictured to myself [illegible]
W[illegible]
Whose [illegible] in shape [illegible]
[illegible]
T[illegible] morning air
I w[illegible]
A[illegible]
Her [illegible] tender,
A[illegible]

I fa[illegible] a [illegible]
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W[illegible]

[illegible]

—Kate Masterson in Buffalo Courier.

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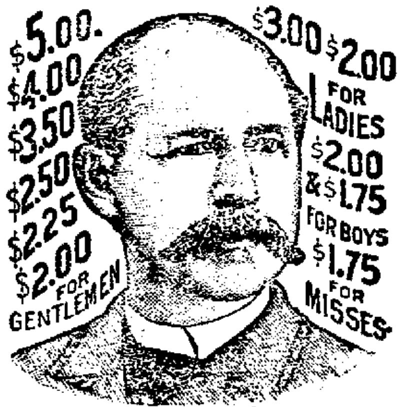

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WITHIN THE PORTALS

BRIEF PARAGRAPHS OF LOCAL SECRET SOCIETY INFORMATION

A Winter Season of Degree Work Has Actively Opened With Promise of Continuance—Reference to New or Improved Quarters and Elections.

Marion is one of the banner towns of Ohio in the way of secret orders. There are sixteen of these bodies in this city at the present time and they are all growing in membership, and many of them are rated very high in a financial way. Some order meets each night in the week and some of our citizens belong to various ones of these orders, and have excuses to make to their wives for being out six nights of the week.

At just this season of the year, the winter months, the average lodge or order is confering degrees on candidates at every meeting and many other items of interest are continually happening within the portals of their respective halls. The STAR has been able to gather a few notes from these mystic circles which are about as follows:

MASONIC BODIES.

There are four of these bodies here and they have, perhaps, the largest membership of any of the secret societies in the city. Their work this fall and winter has been to such a great extent that they were oblidged to hold special meetings, in order to confer degrees on successful applicants who had been admitted to the ways of Masonary.

Marion Lodge, No. 70, F. and A. M., confered the Master degree on one candidate Friday evening. Visitors from the following lodges were present: West Salem, No. 3980; Ebenezer, No. 33; VanWert, No. 218; Knicardine, Ont., No. 93; Mansfield, No. 35; Fulton, No. 48; New England, No. 4; New Lexington, No. 250; Fidelity, No. 327; Friendship, No. 89.

Marion Chapter, No. 62, R. A. M., confers the Past and Most Excellent Master degrees on three candidates next Tuesday evening.

Marion Commandry, No. 26, K. T., confers the order of Temple and Malta on several candidates Thursday, Dec. 18.

Brother Smiley as presiding officer is a success.

Marion Commandry holds their annual banquet January 8th, 1890, and preparations are being made to make it a grand success, and to eclipse any of its famous meetings. Members with their wives, sweethearts and friends are expected to be present to enjoy not only the feast of good things, but the flow of eloquence that is always heard at Masonic gatherings.

ODD FELLOWS.

This order has during the past summer fitted up excellent quarters, and degree work in all departments is being crowded. Applications are being sent in at every meeting, and their new members are all made of that vim and vigor that puts life into an order.

The Daughters of Rebecca have already held their annual banquet, which, like all others, was a highly enjoyable affair.

Brother Walter Morrison is again able to be among them.

The Odd Fellows are the best fixed from a financial standpoint of any of the mystic societies in the city.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

A new lodge was organized here Feb. 25, 1890, and it has prospered beyond all expectations. This lodge goes by the name of the number of its charter, 402, and at present meets in the Elks' hall.

They have just elected officers for the ensuing year and installation takes place some time in January.

No. 402 will have their headquarters in the rooms on the third floor of the Cummin Memorial building, as soon as it is finished. It is exected that they will dedicate their new quarters some time in February.

The older K. of P. lodge, Canby, No. 51, was instituted in 1873, and is rapidly increasing in membership. The rooms of Canby lodge, in the Bartram block, have been remodeled and present an elegant appearance.

The Amplified third degree was confered on a candidate Friday, Dec. 6. This order has also just elected new officers for the forthcoming year.

B. P. O. ELKS.

The Elks, although a comparatively new order, are rapidly becoming one of the first secret societies in the land. An order of Elks was instituted here in March, 1885, with a charter list of over thirty members, and since that time over fifty good honest and worthy men have grasped the antlers of the wild and untamed Elk to inquire into the mysteries of the two degrees.

They are, this winter, having a number of social sessions which have been highly successful in every manner.

Exalted Ruler J. S. Beale is recovering from a long siege of illness at Peoria, Ill., and will soon be able to be at his station in the lodge room again.

PATRIOTIC SONS OF AMERICA.

One hundred and twenty-five names are enrolled in the Patriotic Sons of America's books, and their quarters will not accomodate them.

Installation of officers takes place Dec. 30.

State Organizer E. J. Sware has been among the boys here encouraging them in many ways during the past month.

A social session was held in their rooms last Tuesday night.

THE DRUIDS.

The order of Druids is the only order here where all the business is transacted in German. This Grove, as the body is called, was organized here 29 years ago and is composed of our best German citizens, and is in excellent condition and never since its existence has it prospered as at present.

During the past three months they have organized a ladies circle with the following officers: H. Ackerman, E. D., G. Lettler, E. and E. D.; Mrs. G. Lettler, 1st D.; Mrs. X. Herman, 2d D.; R. Horn, sec'y; Mrs. F. Bausinger, treas.; John Betz, F. sec'y; Mrs. R. Myer, G. W.; and P. Ebert, A. W.

G. A. R. AND U. V. U.

The G. A. R. hold a camp fire next Wednesday evening.

The boys are all in for General Gibson for commander of Ohio.

The U. V. U. have just organized here but are prospering in every way and their camp-fires are the most enjoyable feature of the order.

There are many other societies here but lack of space prevents us using many interesting items. Another time we will try and give each of the other splendid and beneficial orders their share of space.

Caledonia.

We have been under the weather for two weeks, so we could not write last week. People here were muc disappointed, because they say we give the news fresh from the wire—clotheslines etc.

Mrs. Harve Hart and son, Milo, left last Thursday evening for Kansas, to be present with her brother, Clark, who is very low with consumption. Hiram Hart will go West soon, to make it his future home.

Quite a number of strangers are here visiting, but we have not learned their names.

The social held at G. W. Ault's was a success, financially and socially. Mr. and Mrs. Ault know how to entertain company.

John Graham made a flying trip to his home in Avondale, Coshocton county, last Thursday, returning Monday.

A Mr. Jones, of St. Louis, Mo., was picked up in the gutter, dead drunk, lately, at this place. He had one empty and one full bottle with him, and no money to pay expenses, so this will be considered a private gain and public loss.

John Witcraft's section headquarters have been changed to Martel, and the section hands all intend moving there in the near future.

John Rice, while rescuing a lodged tree, was badly hurt by its falling upon him. His right leg was broken and the ankle joint badly wrenched out of place. Mr. Rice is about 70 years old, and it will be a long time before he will recover from it.

Charles Henry, a boy 14 years old, while hunting Monday, by carelessness and a defective lock, shot himself very badly, the load striking the back part of his neck and back part of his head. He was picked up in an unconscious condition. His chances for recovery are quite doubtful. When will boys learn to be careful with guns?

The first rendition of the Drummer Boy of Shiloh was given last night at Ludwig's opera house, under the auspices of the G. A. R. Post of this place. It was considered very good by parties in attendance, but Friday and Saturday nights it will be the best.

Dec. 11. JOCKOS

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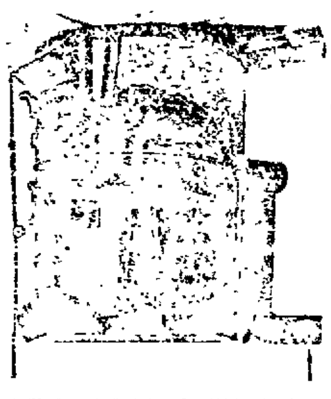

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Mrs. J. D. Bishop,

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—Now is your time to buy your holiday presents of Dr. Mincer, 2d door west of Hotel Marion. All goods in the opticial line he can sell as cheap as the cheapest. Opera glasses and all optical goods of the finest workmanship at prices that would surprise you all. [19-tf] Dr. B. Mincer

—The Marion Relief Association requests donations of second-hand clothing for the relief of the poor of our town. Room No. 2, of Masonic Block, will be open all day Tuesday, Dec 16th. Any donations will be thankfully received and distributed with care.
w-sam. Mrs. E. Durfee, Pres.
Mrs. F. G. Allen, Sec. Pro Tem.

HAVE "U" GUESSED

—ON THE—

JAR of MONEY?

The guessing on the pieces of money in the sealed jar is a pleasing innovation to the throng of people availing themselves of our holiday bargains and, more than that, it is bound to be profitable to somebody. Seventy-Five Dollars to the first to guess nearest: Twenty-Five Dollars to the second to guess nearest. You can guess with every purchase of twen.y-five cents or over.

Handsome Novelties

In Christmas presents for your gentlemen friends at Kleinmaier Bros., the strictly one price clothiers. China silk, initial, embroidered, hemstitched handkerchiefs, also colored borders and brocaded silk and fine linen handkerchiefs.

Black silk mufflers and many new things in silk and woolen mufflers.

Puff scarfs, in new shapes, as well as teck scarfs, ring scarfs, 4-in-hands, Winsors etc. We have a great stock of new neckwear. Embroidered full dress shirts, also fancy pique bosoms, at modest prices.

Toilet sets consisting of celluloid hair brush, comb, nail brush and tooth brush in a handsome leather case for only $1.00.

Fine suspenders, in silk and English webs, richly mounted. Street gloves in kid, dogskin and Mocha buck, both lined and unlined.

Besides soft and stiff hats, woolen shirts jackets, underwear, rubber coats, and last, but not least, overcoats and suits, a great assortment at low prices.
t-saw.

Read the Following in Regard to the Eyes.

The delicate construction of the eyes make it necessary to use great care in properly adapting spectacles. Dr. Mincer has made the eyes his special study and in late years has paid his entire attention to the adaption of the same. Having a thorough experience in making and adapting spectales to the eye, he is able to fit accuraetly in every case of abnormal vision. His improved spectacles are of a perfect construction which assists and preserves the sight rendering frequent changes quite unnecessary. His lenses are ground on the most scientific principles, rendering them as clear as when in full strength of youth. Dr. B. Mincer has some flattering testimonials of some of the leading citizens and occulists in the state as to his ability in fitting in glasses 19tf

At Busy Bee Dining Hall

You can get
Cake,
Fine Pound Cake,
Fine Citron Cake,
Fine Lady Cake,
Sponge Lady Fingers,
Popular Fruit Cake,
Genuine English Plum Pudding.

Parties wishing cakes for banquets can be supplied on one day's notice. [13t-4

Cutter Sleighs.

Latest style, swell body and Portland body, trimmed in car plush, raw silk and rep carpet, good and cheap. Hand sleighs, boys' express wagons—nicely painted, fresh and clean, a new stock. Skates—the best and cheapest in the city. Call and see, at Fahey's bank building.
18t3 J. R. Harshberger.

At Carlisle's Cash Grocery.

Ondura layer raisins.
Loose Muscatel raisins.
Sultana (seedless) raisins.
All at low prices.
J. B. Carlisle.
115 S. Main St.

Beautiful Throws.

Hand painted throws, with bolting cloth ends. Surah and China silk throws with drawn work borders in entirely new designs. See them before they are gone. Warner & Edwards.

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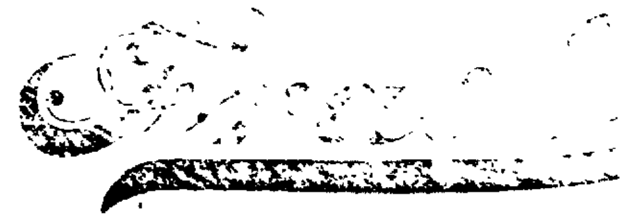

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Interested in Life Insurance?

Read What is Said of the Union Central of Cincinnati.

One of the strong, vigorous and eminently prosperous life-underwriting corporations of the country. The name of the Union Central stands for strength of resources and integrity of management.—U. S. Review, Philadelphia.

A reliable and trustworthy institution, a tree to flourish through centuries. Its position among the firm and stable corporations of its kind becomes more evident and stronger from each year's transactions.—Insurance Critic, New York and Chicago

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All through the East, in what may be called the life insurance center of the country, among the officers of the largest companies and the agents in general, the Union Central is regarded as one of the soundest and best of their competitors for business. Students of life insurance statistics know that the Union Central stands pre-eminent in one or two prominent features. * * * It can safely be said that no other life insurance company in the country stands higher in the city of its organization than the Union Central.—Insurance Times, New York.

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This company is all the time getting closer and closer to the head of the class.—Western Insurance Review, St. Louis.

This company is successfully carrying out the policy it inaugurated a few years ago.—Insurance Monitor, New York.

The results of the business for last year are very flattering to the management.—Insurance Agent, New Orleans.

It exhibits a progress and popularity unparalleled. The best of all its features, in the interest and for the safety of the insured, is that it has honest working men at the head of it.—Insurance and Commercial Magazine New York.

The Union Central Life is flawless in reputation. It is orthodox from bottom to top, and is a company that the people of the Central States are proud of, and that all have every confidence in. Its home managers are men of thorough skill and complete uprightness.—Western Insurance Review.

WHAT THE GOVERNORS THINK OF US.

State of Ohio, Executive Dep'm't,
Office of the Governor,
Columbus, April 30, 1890

My Dear Sir: I am personally acquainted with the officers of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, and know them to be men of integrity and high standing in the community. The Company ranks as one of the soundest and most responsible doing business in Ohio, and I cheerfully recommend it to all who are seeking investments in safe and reliable insurance. Sincerely,
James E. Campbell.
Hon. James E. Lowry, Washington, D. C.

From Hon. J. B. Foraker, Ex-Governor of Ohio.

Dear Sir: The reputation of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, is first-class. The men who are managing and controlling it are gentlemen of the very highest and best character, who enjoy the confidence and esteem of all the people of Cincinnati and our State in general. I do not question that it is as safe and reliable a company as can be found in the United States. Very truly yours,
J. B. Foraker.

From Hon. Charles Foster, Ex-Gov. of Ohio.

Fostoria, May 5, 1890—The Union Central Life Insurance Co., has a most excellent standing in the State of Ohio. It is regarded here as a staunch and progressive institution. Its officials are men of character and integrity. I have full confidence in its future. Charles Foster.
To Judge James E. Lowry, Washington, D. C.

From Wm. H. Currier, President of the Whitney & Currier Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Messrs McAfee & Jones, Gen. Agents, &c.

Gentlemen: I regard the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, as one of the strongest and best managed Life Insurance Companies of the United States. I have policies in other companies standing very high, but none have paid larger dividends, nor are they, in my opinion, stronger financially in proportion to liabilites, nor better managed than the Union Central. Yours respectfully,
Wm. H. Currier.

The first question asked when we hear of a fire is, "How much insurance was there on the property?"

So it is in life. When a man dies almost the first thing is, "How much insurance did he carry?"

If the answer is "none," then we say, "What a pity for his family."

Do you know what Life Insurance did last year? It paid over $67,000,000 to widows and orphans, besides some $20,000,000 to parties who lived through the endowment period and got the money themselves, and yet there was only one dollar paid out by the people for insurance, to where there were several dollars spent for whisky.

Insurance is simply protection in case of death, and if you live out your endowment period, it simply is a saving bank with compound interest, free of tax.

Examine the life rate endowment of the Union Central and take your insurance without delay.

SMITH & CARSON,

AGENTS.

Marion, - - - Ohio.

Christmas Specialties!

USEFUL, ECONOMICAL, SURE TO PLEASE.

All Wool Blankets.
Skirts and Underwer,
Plush Cloaks and Jackets.
Shawls and Cloaks.
Rugs and Hassocks,
Carpet Sweepers,
Portiers and Draperies.
Lace Curtains.

English Umbrellas,
Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.
Black Silk Dress Patterns,
Muffs and Capes.
Colored Silks.
Black Henriettas,
Fine Linen Sets,
Beautiful Throws.

WARNER & EDWARDS.

Dull Morning

—SPECIAL—

HANDKDRCHIEF SALE!

—AT—

D. A. FRANK & CO.'S.

MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY,

DECEMBER 15TH, 16TH AND 17TH,

We shall inaugurate our dull morning special handkerchief sale. In the afternoons we are crowded. We want a similar rush in the mornings, so on the days above mentioned from 9 to 12 o'clock a. m. we shall give

20 % OFF ON ALL SALES

Of Handkerchiefs Amounting to

ONE DOLLAR OR MORE.

Think of it! 20 per cent. off our famous low prices on the most seasonable of holiday stock. Handkerchiefs are the things for Christmas, and we save you 20 cents on every dollar, but you must buy the dollar's worth. Remember this is

From 9 to 12 O'Clock A. M. Only.

RIBBON REDUCTION!

The entire display of Ribbons hanging in the center of onr store, regardless of width, are to go at 10 Cents.

The Dress Goods Are Going!

The sales so far have been immense. There are still several choice bargains left—enough for all who come in the next few days. The Stripes and Plaids are still going at 25 cents. They are unequalled anywhere. Don't miss getting one.

OUR WRAPS ARE ALL NEW!

The Prices Are Sacrificed. Ask those who have been in.

D. A. FRANK & COMP'Y,

Original Low-Priced Dry Goods House.

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LEADING OPTICIAN

—OF—

CENTRAL OHIO.

DR. B. MINCER, the Eminent Optician, has settled here permanently, having rented a room in Hotel Marion Block, East Center street, and opened a line of Optical goods that is equal to any city establishment. With 30 years of practical experience, during which time thousands have been perfectly fitted with glasses, and, with a perfect stock of goods at hand, Dr. Mincer is prepared to fix your eyes perfectly.

Gold Frame Spectacles at from $5 to $20, and Steel, Ruber and Silver Framed Glasses at from 50c to $12, the prices depending on the Lenses. All glasses fitted without instrumental test, and the eyes are not tired out with repeated trials, but glasses fitted at once where fitting is at all possible. Parties needing glasses are invited to call whether they buy or not.

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The leading Oyster House in Marion is

THE ENGLISH KITCHEN.

The best brands on hand, fresh, at all times. Sold by can or served to order.

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